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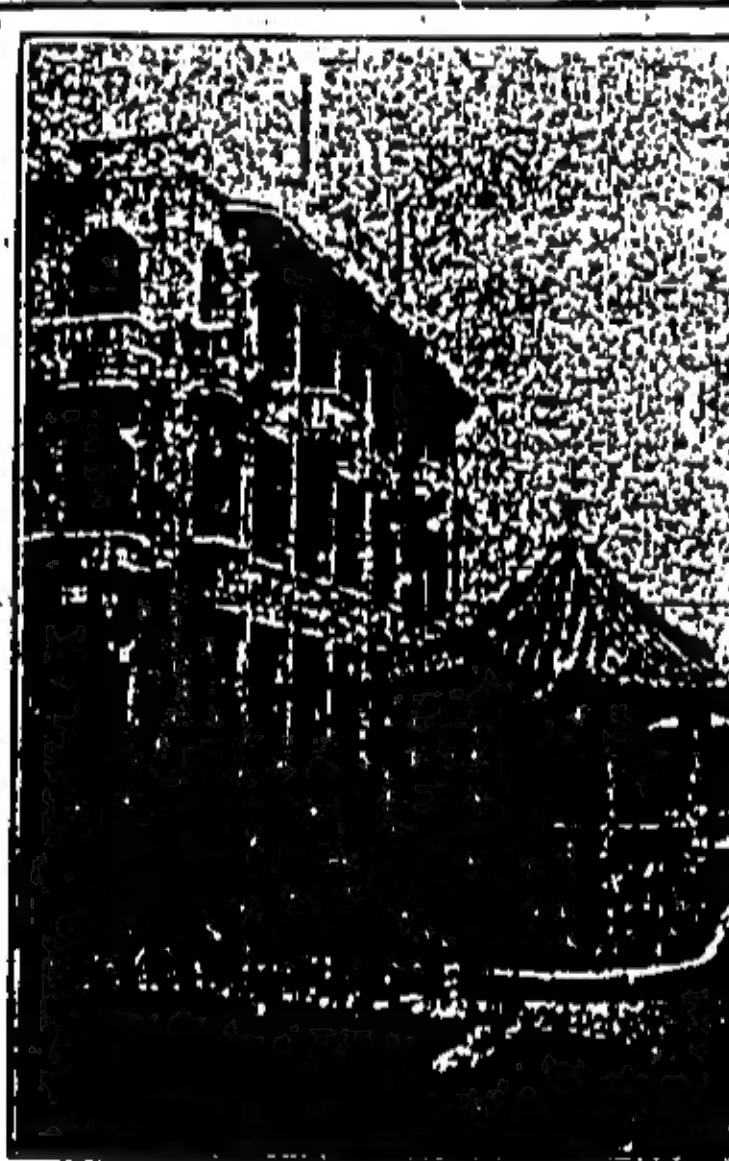
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ing the Report of the Directors to-
gether with a Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ended 30th
April, 1931.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
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receiving the Report of the Direc-
tors, passing the Accounts, and
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best customer, taking 20.1 per cent.
of her exports during 1930, but Bri-
tain took only the third place as a
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ported goods, supplying only 11.2
per cent.

M. de Fleuriau, the French
Ambassador, stated that M. Arnal,
of the French Foreign Office, and
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11	5.38	7.07
12	5.38	7.07
13	5.38	7.08
14	5.38	7.08
15	5.38	7.08
16	5.38	7.08
17	5.38	7.09
18	5.38	7.09
19	5.39	7.09
20	5.39	7.10
21	5.39	7.10
22	5.39	7.10
23	5.40	7.10
24	5.40	7.10
25	5.40	7.10
26	5.40	7.11
27	5.40	7.11
28	5.41	7.11
29	5.41	7.11
30	5.41	7.11

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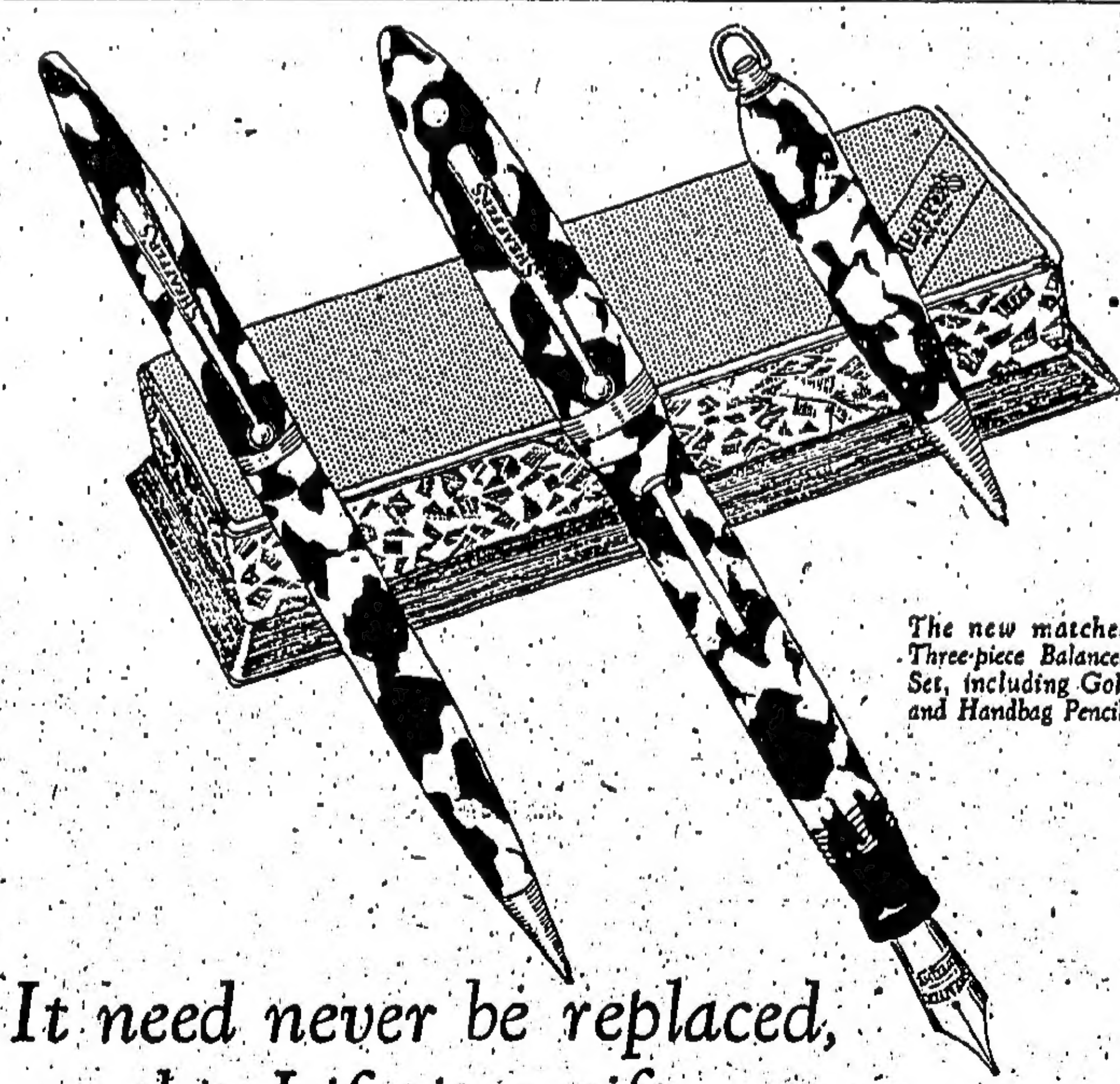
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KAMO MARU	Saturday, 27th June.
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BOMBAY via Singapore, Belawan Deli & Colombo.	Brisbane Maru	Mon.	6th July
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Argun Maru	Fri.	19th June
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	Canton Maru	Sun.	21st June
	Deli Maru	Thurs.	18th June

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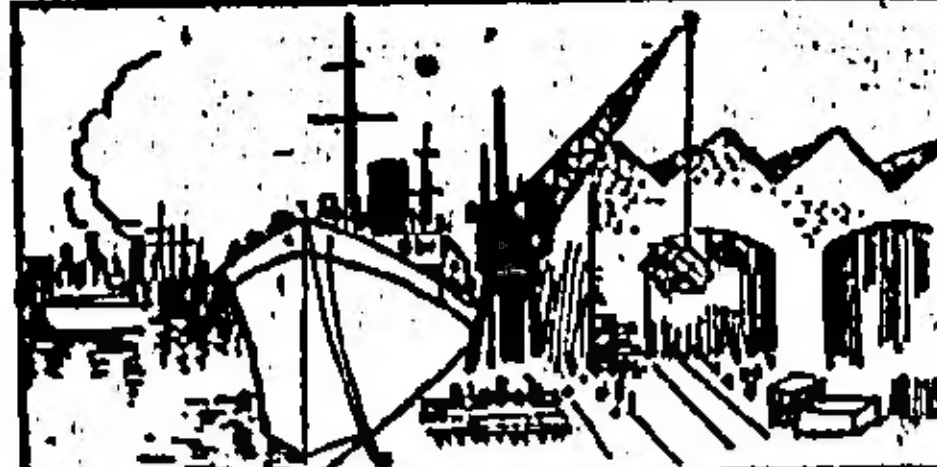
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Unstinting tribute to the Tenth Cruiser Squadron was paid by Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes, Bart., G.C.B., K.C.V.O., C.M.G., D.S.O., when he attended the reunion dinner of the officers who served in that immortal unit of the Royal Navy, held on board the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of France in Southampton Docks. No more fitting or appropriate atmosphere could have been found for the gathering, for the Empress of France during the War was known as the Albatross, and as such was the flagship of the squadron. During her career in that capacity she flew the flags of two admirals—namely, Admiral Sir Dudley de Chair, K.C.B., M.V.O., and Admiral Sir Reginald Tupper, G.B.E., K.C.B., C.B.O., both of whom were present at the function. The former was the genial chairman, and nine other admirals were present in addition to a large number of other guests.

Sir Roger, in proposing the toast of the Tenth Cruiser Squadron, coupled with the French Navy, paid tribute to Sir Dudley and Sir Reginald, and said the gathering was composed of a great number of naval and Naval Reserve officers who manned the vessels which exercised the blockade that played no small part in the victory of the Allies.

Proceeding, Sir Roger said that history provided many examples of blockade in the days of sail—close blockade and strategic blockade based on the prevailing winds, blockades which were conducted under conditions of incredible hardships with seamanship ability, fortitude and patience. In the American Civil War close blockade was maintained by steamships without any great risk from enemy action and many of them present that evening would remember how the plans for the late War visualised the close blockade of an enemy by light craft, supported by capital ships, as in the days of old. But the advent of the torpedo, the submarine, and later the submarine minelayer necessitated new plans and dispositions, which added enormously to the difficulties of blockade.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—

Olympus—West wall dock.
Odin—In dock.
Otus—In dock.
Parthian—West wall dock.
Seamew—South wall.
Sirdar—In dock.
Somme—North arm.
Sterling—North arm.
Tamar—Basin.
Thracian—North arm.

Foreign.

Vigilante—French gunboat.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. Empress of Canada arrived at Shanghai on June 9 (Tues.) at 6.30 p.m., leaves Shanghai on June 10 (Wed.) at 4 p.m., and is due at Hong Kong on June 12 (Fri.) at 9 a.m. She leaves Hong Kong for Manila on June 12 (Fri.) at 6 p.m.

LOSS OF HIGHLAND HOPE.

Admiralty Divisional Court Appeal.

The Admiralty Divisional Court recently allowed the appeal of the owners of the Nelson liner Highland Hope, which was wrecked in a fog off the coast of Portugal, on November 19 last, against the finding of the Court of Inquiry, with reference to the Captain's age.

Lord Merrivale (whose age is 76), giving judgment, observed that in modern times men over 75 years of age held positions such as the Prime Minister, the Primate of England and the head of great commercial undertakings.

Lord Merrivale emphasised that all the evidence favoured the Captain's fitness, competency and the propriety of his employment, and nobody had challenged it at any material point during the inquiry.

The appeal must be allowed because the owners were condemned, not the accused, and they had not been heard.

Lord Merrivale added that the real cause of the loss was the over-confidence of the Captain and officers.

The Court of Inquiry into the loss of the Highland Hope, which struck a reef off Farineros Islands in November, found that the stranding was due to the failure of the Master to navigate the ship in a proper and seaman-like manner.

It suspended his licence for six months.

The Court also considered that the Second Officer was remiss in his duties.

Further, the Court found that the owners could not be absolved of all blame, because the Master was of such age that he could not be expected to stand the physical strain of commanding such a large passenger vessel.

The Master of the Highland Hope, James Cohnson Jones, was aged 75.

The Court also severely reprimanded the Chief Officer for concealing the fact that he brought the "deck scrap log" ashore and for subsequently destroying the log.

The Court commended the Fourth Officer, Parry, for his courage and resource in dealing with the situation resulting from the accident to a lifeboat.

ARRIVALS OF SHIPS.

Monday, June 8.
Shinko Maru, Japanese str., 1,891 tons, Capt. H. Kinukawa, from Newchwang, buoy No. 327.—T.K.K.

Tuesday, June 9.
Antung, British str., 2,107 tons, Capt. D. Lupton, from Swatow, buoy No. 314.—B. & S.

Athos II, French str., 22,000 tons, Captain Le Flapet, from Marseilles, Kowloon Wharf.—M.M.

Chengtu, British str., 1,398 tons, Captain W. L. Thomas, from Hongkong, buoy No. 39.—B. & S.

Chungking, British str., 1,311 tons, Capt. Lovegrove, from Swatow, buoy No. 320.—B. & S.

Clara Jensen, Danish str., 1,145 tons, Capt. K. Dahl, from Hongkong, buoy No. 317.—Chin Seng Hong.

Hiroshi Maru No. 3, Japanese str., 664 tons, Capt. Y. Okada, from Swatow, Standard Oil Wharf.—M.B.K.

Ikomasan Maru, Japanese str., 1,952 tons, Capt. S. Ushijima, from Milke, buoy No. A12.—M.B.K.

New Mathilde, British str., 842 tons, Capt. D. Thomas, from Saigon, buoy No. C8.—Chang Tong Ha.

Pong Tong, British str., 1,001 tons, Capt. R. E. Fyfe, from Saigon, buoy No. C5.—Yuen Sing Fat.

Porthos, French str., 22,000 tons, Capt. T. Fittip, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—M.M.

Ravnefell, Norwegian str., 1,420 tons, Capt. Ribbrog, from Canton, buoy No. C7.—Dodwell & Co.

Sarpedon, British str., 6,321 tons, Capt. A. T. Shaw, from Shanghai, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Sidajoe, Dutch str., 1,080 tons, Capt. de Groot, from Samarinda, Yaumati Anchorage.—J.C.J.L.

Solviken, Norwegian str., 1,485 tons, Capt. N. Norvald, from Saigon, buoy No. C4.—Wo Fat Sing.

Van Heusen, Dutch str., 2,743 tons, Capt. K. J. G. Blits, from Singapore, buoy No. A7.—J.C.J.L.

CANAL AVOIDED.

NORWEGIAN SHIPS USE CAPE ROUTE.

Concerning the protests which have been raised in shipping circles against the high dues charged on vessels using the Suez Canal, it is reported from Norway that two Norwegian ships with cargo from the East have just been sent to Europe by way of the Cape instead of passing through the Suez Canal. The charterers found that in the present situation of the market, it was advisable to avoid the canal and the high dues.

The question was recently raised at a meeting of the Oslo New Shipowners' Association by Mr. Paust. Since then he is reported to have stated that the reply given by the holders of the French block of shares points to a poor conscience. The community would, he said, scarcely approve the contention that 55 per cent. was a reasonable yield for an undertaking of such a general character as the Suez Canal Company.

As to the suggestion made in the House of Commons that assistance should be granted to British shipping out of the State receipts on its shareholding in the Suez Canal, Mr. Paust considered that it could scarcely have been made on account of British interests as it was in conflict with those interests and against the traditions of British shipping. He advocated bringing the matter before the League of Nations as the Suez Canal was an important aid in international communication and of great importance to shipping, trade and industry both in Europe and in Asia and Australia.

NEW MOTOR LIFEBOAT.

Innovations in Life-Saving Device.

The new motor lifeboat, which the Royal National Lifeboat Institution has built for its station at Lytham St. Anne's, Lancashire, is of the new light type of self-righting lifeboat, light enough to be launched off a cartilage, states the Journal of Commerce. She weighs, with crew and gear, under 7 tons, is 35ft. 6in. long, and has a 35 h.p. engine, giving her a speed of 7.1/3 knots. She carries enough petrol to be able to travel 116 miles at full speed without refuelling. She takes only 20 seconds to come to a dead stop from full speed. In another 20 seconds she can be moving at full speed astern. Should a sea break on board, she can free herself in about 12 seconds more quickly than any other type of lifeboat. If she were capsized, even with a hole in her bottom, she would right herself in four seconds. In rough weather she can take 30 people on board. This is the fourth motor lifeboat to be completed this year, and there are now 94 in the institution's fleet of 191 lifeboats.

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ENGINEERING TRIUMPHS.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 12.

Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia (London, May 23) Shinyo Maru
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Europe via Nagasaki (Letters and Papers, London, May 14) Hakone Maru
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WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10.

Japan, Honolulu, & *San Francisco (Due San Francisco July 2.)
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Registration June 10, 4.15 p.m.
Letters June 10, 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard 3.30 p.m.
Samshui and Wuchow 4 p.m.
Shanghai & *Europe via Siberia President Wilson
Registration June 10, 5 p.m.
Letters June 10, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 11.

Holhow, Pakhoi and *Haiphong Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Amoy Tjikembang 10.30 a.m.
Swatow Hydrangea 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow Hai Ning 2 p.m.
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Manila Empress of Canada 3.30 p.m.
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Ambitious schemes for the conversion of British coal into oil and the expenditure of millions of pounds in research work were considered by the South Wales Miners' Federation. Mr. George Hall, M.P., the Civil Lord of the Admiralty, and the members of Parliament for the mining constituencies, were present at the meeting which had been called to consider what support should be given to the movement which seeks to force the Government to substitute coal for oil as Navy fuel.

A conference of all mining and shipping interests called by the Lord Mayor of Cardiff is to be held at Cardiff to discuss this question.

The miners did not favour the policy of reverting to coal fuel, but rather the pressing necessity for further expenditure in the direction of extracting oil from British coal so that we should not be entirely dependent on foreign supplies.

Mr. Hall told the meeting that the Navy uses about one million tons of fuel oil every year, and in order to secure that quantity twenty million tons of coal would have to be distilled. He believed this could be supplied to the Navy at a little more than the price of the crude oil which is now used.

It would be far more advantageous to the coal mining industry, he said, if British coal were used for the production of oil than to ask the Government to alter their programme and construct coal-burning ships.

"Oil from British coal is now proved to be a practical commercial proposition," he added, "and its extraction would prove most beneficial to the coal industry."

"The miners' representatives at the Cardiff conference will advance this view rather than advocate the reversion to coal-burning ships."

Mr. Thomas Richards, the president of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain, said afterwards that if the oil-burning naval ships were converted to the use of coal the amount of coal required would not be more than about a million tons, whereas if coal were used for the extraction of oil many more million tons of coal would be consumed to the advantage of the coal trade.

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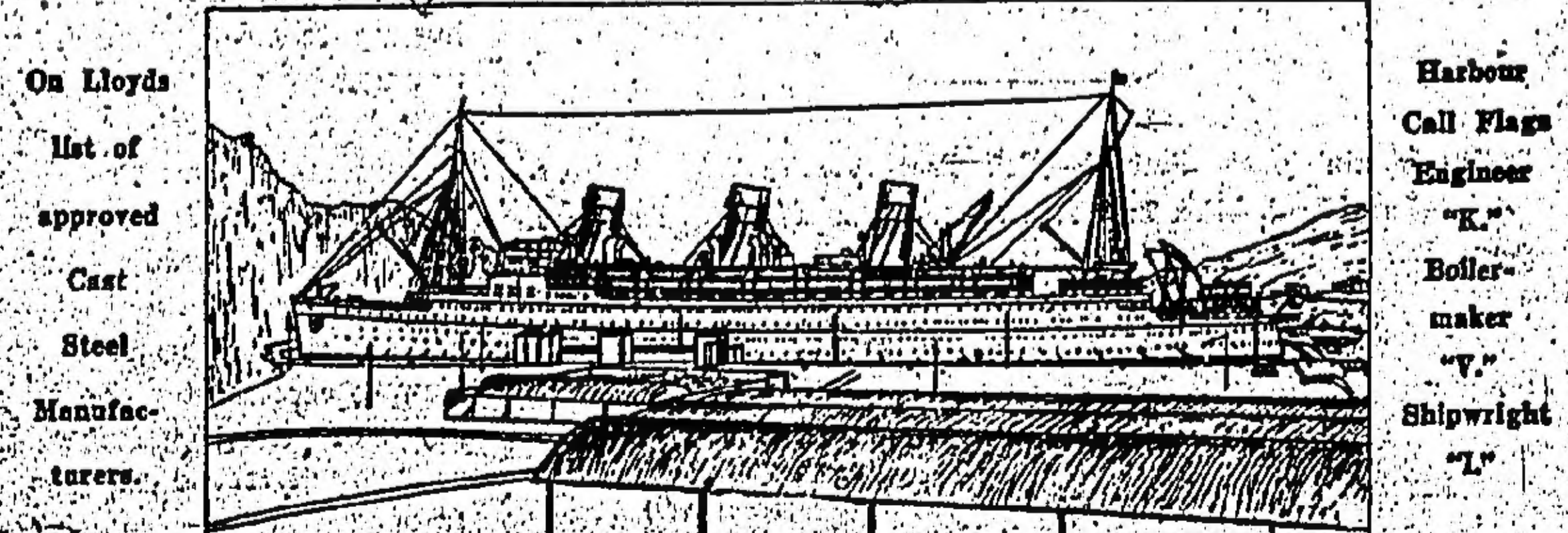
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Toll for the Brave.

Not since the disastrous ex-
plosion on H.M.S. Sepoy on April
8 last year, when four men were
killed outright and two died
later, has such a deep gloom been
cast over the China Station as
that caused by the news of the
terrible calamity to the new Bri-
tish submarine Poseidon, ten
miles to the north of Wei-hai-
wei. Prompt as the Admiralty
has been in releasing the infor-
mation at Home, His Majesty the
King and his gracious Consort
have been no less belated in
sending a message of condolence
to the dependants of the sur-
vivors. This consideration for
his subjects will be thoroughly
appreciated not alone by the
Royal Navy but by the entire
Empire.

The actual circumstances lead-
ing up to the submarine being
rammed by the Chinese steamer
Yuta have not yet been disclosed.
The efforts of those immediately
concerned at the scene of the dis-
aster have naturally been con-
centrated on the work of rescue
and of locating the wreck with a
view to ascertaining the proba-
bility of effecting any more
rescues of those ratings still
trapped in a compartment.
It is unofficially surmised,
however, that the ill-fated
submarine was returning from
exercises when she was rammed
by the a.s. Yuta possibly in a fog.
In this Colony, where the offi-
cers and men of the Poseidon had
already made numerous friends
during their very brief stay,
after their arrival from Hong
waters, the utmost sympathy
will go out to the dependants and

the comrades of the unfortunate
men who have lost their lives at
the post of duty. At the time of
writing it is known that the
wreck has been located, and the
greatest anxiety will prevail on
all sides as to the fate of those
still shut up in the submarine.

To the Royal Navy and to the
Commander-in-Chief of the China
Station, his brother-officers, and
men we feel that we are re-echo-
ing the feelings of the entire
Colony in expressing our deepest
sympathy on the occasion of this
very lamentable disaster. Their
loss is a very terrible one. Those
who have been taken from them
are no less heroes than those who
died in Naval action in the War.
They have given their lives for
King and Empire and in support
of the principle of an adequate
Navy to safeguard British inter-
ests in the Far East. They have
gone, but they shall not be for-
gotten. Rest in Peace!

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature
yesterday was 78 degrees. At 10
a.m. and 4 p.m. the humidity was
93.

Suffering from severe burns, the
nature of which is at present un-
known, a youth, Chan Kan (17)
was removed to the Kwong Wah Hos-
pital at 8 o'clock last night.

Mariners are informed that a
buoy marking a rope off Shekha in
the Sumchun River has either drift-
ed away or been stolen by some per-
son. The buoy was last seen on
June 5 at 5.30 p.m.

The Governor in Council has
approved of the suspension of the
Regulations made under the Dogs
Ordinance, 1927, by which the
muzzling of dogs was enforced and
their movements restricted.

A lecture open to the public, will
be given at the Chinese Y.M.C.A.,
Bridges Street, on Thursday at 7
p.m., by Mr. J. C. FitzHenry,
A.M.I.E.E., the subject being, "Fire
Prevention and Means of Combating
Fires."

At the fortnightly meeting of the
Sanitary Board yesterday the
Chairman (Mr. G. R. Sayer) said
he noted that members were in
agreement with the application for
the registration of 3, Morrison Hill
Road, ground floor, as a dairy.

The forthcoming weddings are
announced of Ernest Michelfelder,
missionary, of the Basel Mission,
Taipei Road, to Johanna Elsingner,
of the same address, and of Rochus
Jacintus Morales, of 36, Sau Wa
Fong, to Percilla Maria Gomez, of
19, Kwong Ming Street.

British postal orders to the value
of nearly £3 were found on the
ground outside No. 25, Kowloon
Godown, by a coolie named Mai Sat
at about 1.30 p.m. yesterday. The
postal orders, which were in a
plain envelope, comprised two of
£20, each; two of £15, each; one
each of £10, £5, and £2. The find
was handed in at the Water Police
Station.

Submarine Disaster.

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and two died later in hospital.
The accident was considered to be
an unprecedented one in Naval
annals, a remarkable feature being
the slight damage done to the ship
itself.

Accidents to submarines have
fortunately been few and far be-
tween, the last one recorded being
during the typhoon of 1923, when a
submersible of the "L" class was
sunk without casualty. She was
later raised.

Chinese-Owned Steamer.
The Chinese steamer Yuta, a
steel screw vessel of 1,753 tons
and 1,123 net, was formerly the
Yuto-China Steamship Co.'s Yuen
Sang. She is now registered in
Newchwang, the owner or own-
ers, according to Lloyd's Regis-
ter, being Pao Yu Tsai. She flies
the Chinese flag. Built in 1889,
by Messrs. Hall, Russell and Co.,
of Aberdeen, she is 250.2 feet
long, 36.2 feet broad, and 15.1 in
depth.

Unlucky Flotilla.
Ill-luck seems to have dogged
the four submarines of the "P"
class (Poseidon, Perseus, Pan-
dora and Proteus), the Fourth
Submarine Flotilla, ever since
their departure from Britain for
the China Station.

It will be recalled that the Pan-
dora and Proteus were involved
in a collision off Gibraltar, 80
miles west of the Straits, on the
night of December 16 last. They
were both damaged, and were
taken in hand at Gibraltar for
repairs, spare parts having to be
sent out from Britain.

The Perseus and Poseidon ar-
rived in Gibraltar on December
30, and continued their cruise in-
dependently. All four subma-
rines went up to Wei-hai-wei a
few weeks ago. They form Bri-
tain's latest submarine flotilla,
and are the latest types of under-
sea vessels.

TOWNS FALLING INTO PAGANISM.

Archdeacon and Clergy Shortage.

"It must be realised" that there
are 3,500 fewer clergy in the
Church of England to-day than
there were in 1914, and that the
towns are falling back into
paganism," said the Venerable John
Carpenter, Turner, Archdeacon of
Basingstoke, during a Commission
of Inquiry into the desirability of
uniting the benefices of East World-
ham and Hartley Mauditt with
West Worldham.

Evidence was given that the
three parishes contained only 400
people, and that the aggregate at-
tendances at early Communion and
evensong were in East Worldham
and West Worldham churches only
nine and seventy-five respectively.

The parish representatives pro-
tested against union. Archdeacon
Turner observed that only a mile
separated the churches. "The
Church of England," he said, "will
have to adopt the method of County
Education Committees with their
school children, and collect people,
as there are not enough clergymen
to go round."

On being told that there
was no public-house at West
Worldham, and that people
walked either to Selborne or
East Worldham (a mile away)
for their beer, the Archdeacon
said, with some spirit, "There
you are: people will walk a mile for
beer, but not for worship. Surely,
if people are godly, they won't
mind walking a mile to worship."

MYSTERY OF 11 BROKEN RIBS.

Man Who Was Put In Strait-Jacket.

David Fyfe, aged 75, of South
Street, Forfar, was found kneeling
in prayer in Emmett Street, Pop-
lar.

He was taken to a mental home,
where he died, with eleven ribs
broken.

At the inquest at Poplar Police-
Station Thomas Redfern said that
when he found Fyfe in Emmett
Street the man had his shoes and
socks off. In his hand was a pray-
er-book. When asked what he was
doing, he said: "I am fighting for
the cause."

He was removed to Waterloo
House, Bethnal Green.
George Ling, an attendant at
Waterloo House, said: Fyfe was
very violent when admitted. He
shouted Biblical phrases and had to
be restrained in a strait jacket. He
did not know how the man came by
his injuries.

EYE POSER FOR A JUDGE.

Biological Theory in Will Dispute.

QUESTION OF COLOUR.

Judge Michael Feinberg, of the
Circuit Court in Chicago, has been
asked to set a precedent by mak-
ing a legal application of the bio-
logical theory that two blue-eyed
parents cannot have a brown-eyed
child.

The matter came to the fore
when George Adair Longley took
legal steps to obtain a share of the
£200,000 estate of Albert W.
Longley, hat manufacturer. He
claimed that he was the son of
the American millionaire, born out
of wedlock but legitimatised by a
marriage of the parents later.

Counsel for Mrs. Caroline
Longley, third wife of Albert W.
Longley, produced an expert wit-
ness, Dr. Sanford Gifford, who as-
serted that a blue-eyed father and
a blue-eyed mother could have
only blue-eyed children.

Legitimacy Doubts.

The claim was advanced by the
widow's counsel that the million-
aire and a former wife, whom
George Longley claims, as his
parents, were blue-eyed, whereas
George has brown eyes.

"Parents from all over the coun-
try are writing to me," says the
judge. Many of them say that
this scientific law simply cannot
be true. Others are depressed be-
cause the law casts doubt on the
legitimacy of their children. The
setting of a precedent in this case,
one that would apply in divorce
cases and in those settling the
fatherhood of infants, where that
is disputed, would be fraught with
heavy responsibility.

"Any legal ruling to the effect
that blue eyes cannot beget brown
eyes, a principle supposedly based
on the Mendelian law of heredity,
would become a determining fac-
tor in many divorce suits where
misconduct is charged. The re-
sult might be a flood of divorces."

Invariable Rule.

"Dr. Davenport, of the Carnegie
Institution of Washington, a lead-
ing authority on the application
of Mendelian law, has testified
that there is no exception to the
rule, and that reported exceptions
are always found to be without
foundation or due to failure to
discern the determining eye
colour."

"The layman cannot always be
able to tell a blue eye when he
sees one—there may be brown
pigment that he does not recog-
nise in the eyes of the apparently
blue-eyed."

There exists in the Longley will
case some uncertainty about the
eye pigment of Albert W. Longley
and of the wife, Alice, who are
claimed as the parents of George.
There is no documentary evi-
dence, and there are only non-
scientific witnesses to say whether
or not they were actually blue-
eyed.

U.S. CITIZENS.

ARE THEY NORTH AMERICANS OR UNITED STATESERS?

Bogota, Col., May 8.
Is a citizen of the United States
of America an American, a Yan-
kee, a North American, a United
Stateser, a Saxton American, or a
"gringo"?

It's a delicate question through-
out South America depending
largely on how friendly the gen-
eral attitude of any particular
nation is toward the United States.

For after all, Colombians, Ar-
gentinians and Chileans are in-
habitants of America and are just
as much entitled to be called
"Americans" as are inhabitants of
the United States.

In Colombia, which is perhaps
as friendly to the United States
as any South American nation,
any of the foregoing appellations
is likely to be heard with per-
fectly friendly intentions. Any, that
is, except "gringo," which is in
the nature of a dirty crack and is
rarely encountered in Colombia.

The word "Yanqui," which odd-
ly enough is pronounced "Yankee,"
is used more or less humorously
and includes United States resi-
dents living south of the Mason
and Dixon line.

Dr. B. Sanin Cano, the leading
essayist of Colombia, originated
the term "saxo-americanos" to
apply to United States citizens,
and differentiates Latin Americans,
who do not particularly like that
terminology, with the appellation
"Indo-americanos," which means
"Indian Americans." But they do
not like that either.

As for those being "estadouni-
denses" or United Statesers, there
are also the United States of
Brazil, which covers more terri-
tory than the United States of
America, and the United States of
Mexico, which is no small country.

FROM PEDLAR TO PRINCE.

Death of Arab 80 Years in Colombo.

WEALTH IN MILLIONS.

Few careers have been so
romantic and remarkable as that
of Hadji Ibrahim bin Ahmed of
Colombo, who has just died at the
age of 105 years. Beginning in
Ceylon nearly 80 years ago with
very little to call his own; his
wealth at the end was computed in
millions.

At the age of 25 he landed in
Colombo from Zabeid, his home in
Arabia, and made his way as a
pedlar, going from town to town
as far as Galle and Kandy and
even further on foot as he was too
poor to travel by coach. Thrifty
and industrious habits enabled him
in ten years to improve his posi-
tion by setting up a shop for the
sale of sweetmeats and silks at the
junction of Kuruw and New Moor
Streets. This business was such
a success that its owner in course
of time bought up the premises
and in after years became the
owner of practically all the houses
at this busy junction.

The Toy Trade.

The year 1870 was an important
one for Hadji Ibrahim bin
Ahmed for it was in that year
that he pioneered the toy trade in
Ceylon—a business that brought
him great riches and a reputation
in commercial circles. He was the
first to import toys on a com-
mercial scale from the famous German
manufacturers who specialised in
them and even big firms in the
Fort bought their supplies from
him. About this time too he be-
gan to import reel-cotton and lace
in large quantities and up to the
present day the Hameedia Store as
he called his place of business
is noted for its reel cotton.

Four Times to Mecca.

Bin Ahmed married late in life
a daughter of Haj Sayed Abbas
bin Sayed Salib, and the wedding
was attended by all the seven
Egyptian Pashas then in exile in
Ceylon. In all his 80 years in
Ceylon he visited his home in
Arabia four times, and on all four
occasions took the opportunity to
visit Mecca, once in the company
of H.E. Ibrahim Pasha Refaath of
Egypt. He returned from the last
of these trips very ill and his life
was despaired of, but he recovered
and maintained good health up
till a week before his death. Pre-
vious to that he once had severe
pulmonary trouble, which, how-
ever, was permanently cured.

Large Possessions.

During the last 25 or 30 years
the late Hadji Ibrahim became the
owner of considerable landed prop-
erty. He owned land and build-
ings at Kayman's Gate and Fourth
Cross Street as well as several fine
residential bungalows in Colombo,
one of his recent acquisitions be-
ing "The Lawn." He also owned
Miriswatte Estate in Negombo,
Arupala Estate, Kandy, and
Kotagala Estate, Aiyawella, of
the last-named of which his
brother-in-law, Mr. S. M. B. S.
Abbas has been in charge ever
since the late Mr. Ibrahim bought
it. He had four sons and one
daughter, who is married to Mr.
A. R. A. Razik, as well as 18
grandchildren and one great-
grandchild. He gave largely to
Mohammedan charities and regu-
larly at Ramadan sent large
sums of money to his nephew,
Sheik Mamoud Sheikh Ulema of
Zabeid, for distribution among his
relatives at home.

The business centre of Aiyaw-
ella, where he owned much prop-
erty too, was in mourning for the
death of Ibrahim and the flag
of the Zabr sect to which he be-
longed was flown at half mast.
Special prayers were also said in
the Sitawake Mosque.

Such is the romantic story of
this paladin of poverty, who be-
came a veritable merchant prince,
says the Ceylon Daily News.

Two women, Au Su-chan (15)
and Au Hol-chan (11), were in-
jured when a portion of the roof of
No. 66 Peel Street collapsed at 2.30
o'clock this morning. Both victims
were rescued by the Police and re-
moved to the Government Civil
Hospital. Their condition is not
serious.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of
June 10, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 2/6%.

There will shortly take place a
small but novel event in the local
shipping world—the first reinforced
concrete ship ever built here will be
launched from the yard of Messrs.
Brossard, Mopin in Hingham.
This craft has been designed by
Messrs. Brossard Mopin to make
trips between Hong Kong and Can-
ton with building materials. Her
size is 70' over all beam 17', draught
5' with a load of 80 tons. She has
a 450 h.p. motor and will get a
practical speed of 5 to 6 miles fully
loaded.

ELECTRICITY AND MATTER.

Some Mysteries Yet Unsolved.

MR. BUTCHER'S ADDRESS.

Mr. J. Douglas Butcher, C.E.E., M.I.E.E., A.M.I.E.E., in the course of an interesting lecture on "Electricity" given before the Rotary Club at the weekly tiffin yesterday, briefly discussed the source, production, and uses of electrical power.

Mr. Butcher commenced by stating that it was more than likely that the wonderful something called electricity would one day be proved to be the foundation of electricity—either in a particular kind of motion being possibly the source of electrical power. If one could picture tiny portions of ether set into rapid vortex motion, one visualised what was called a unit of electricity. So far this seemed the only reasonable explanation.

The Electron.

These units were known as electrons, which had been likened to knots on a piece of string. A knot was composed of string in a particular configuration, and yet was not like the rest of the string. In a similar way electricity was probably composed of ether, but ether in a special form or configuration.

The atom, according to the modern idea was like a miniature planetary system. There was a central positive core called a proton and around that core, circled elliptically the negative electrons. Atoms were composed of nothing but charges of electricity.

How X-Rays Arise.

The phenomenon known as the X-rays arose when a stream of electrons bombarded any form of matter. X-rays differed from wireless waves only in the fact that they were exceedingly short, whilst wireless waves were long. It had been found possible to arrange the elements in order according to the wave lengths of the X-rays, they omitted. Electricity was therefore atomic in structure—the mass or weight of the electron was entirely an electrical effect, due solely to the electrical charge which it carried. The electron therefore constituted a real atom of electricity.

As regards production of electricity, Mr. Butcher said that it was never really generated. What was done was merely to put in motion, by various means, electrons, with a resulting motion called electric current. The action was nothing more than the handing along of electrons from one atom to another. Physicists had measured electrons, and found them to be bodies far smaller than the smallest atom of matter. Different atoms were now known to be composed of a different number of electrons, and by their different number and grouping they constituted the different chemical elements. By this grouping it could be said that the whole of matter was electrically constituted.

The speaker then explained the generating and transmission system in Hong Kong, going on to discuss the development of the first carbon filament glow lamp by Swan and Edison, the tantalum filament lamp, and finally the tungsten lamp.

The Neon Light.

After outlining the principle of the arc lamp, and the mercury vapour lamp, Mr. Butcher spoke of the modern Neon light, which he said in some respects was similar to the Moore tube lamp. The gas neon was obtained as a by-product in the liquefaction of oxygen from the atmosphere. It was used in a high-tension tube, the electrical pressure, which might be up to 15,000 volts, being obtained by the use of step-up transformers.

Neon was naturally orange-red in colour, but practically any colour could be obtained by the introduction of other gases combined with coloured tubing.

Mr. Butcher then went on to discuss the innumerable uses of electricity in the modern scheme of things. He showed how cogs of production had in many industries been cut by its use. Incidentally, he revealed the fact that in Hong Kong there were connected to the mains over 1,500 meters totalling nearly 10,000 H.P., and driving 109 different types of machines.

In conclusion he quoted a passage from Sir Oliver Lodge to show what a huge field electricity covers. Mr. L. C. F. Bellamy returned thanks for the excellent address.

New Appointment.

Previous to the address the Chairman, Sir William Hornell, announced the retirement of Mr. A. L. Shields as Chairman of the Programme Committee. Mr. Shields would continue to serve on the General Committee. Mr. J. L. McPherson had agreed to take the vacant position.

A report of the city clerk's office, showing Montreal's growth in size, number of voters and realty values gives the present position as follows: Property value, \$1,245,784,559; area, 50.24 square miles; number of voters, 209,820 and total population, 1,099,409.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

NANCY CARROLL'S LATEST PICTURE.

"LAUGHTER."

When Nancy Carroll appeared in "The Devil's Holiday" at the Paramount Theatre in New York early last Summer, the metropolitan newspapers were as one in citing her capabilities as a remarkably talented actress. This public appreciation of her gift for the weighty type of character-portrayal had Paramount to decide upon "Laughter" as her next dramatic release.

"Laughter" comes to the King's Theatre to-day and is an original story written by Douglas Doty and Harry D'Arrast. In the play Nancy is seen as the ex-Follies girl who marries a very wealthy old man, her "second choice," after her young lover forsakes her in favour of an exciting trip to Paris. Upon his return to New York her "first love" becomes a pal of Nancy's husband but slyly attempts to make advances to her. The dramatic and thrilling events that follow are the high points of interest in this powerful show.

The part of the pillantering lover is played by Freddie March, the capable young leading man who deserted the stage for the talkies about two years ago and who has since achieved considerable distinction as a portrayer of emotional roles. He was in "The Wild Party," "The Studio Murder Mystery," "Sarah and Son" and "Manslaughter." March never played opposite Miss Carroll before this picture, and was only in one production with her—"Paramount on Parade." Being in different sketches in that famous revue picture, they were, of course, not exactly "together" in it.

"SHOW OF SHOWS."

"Show of Shows," Warner Bros. and Vitaphone super-revue, is now at the Queen's Theatre. This greatest of all screen presentations has scores upon scores of famous stars in the cast and supporting characters numbering over half a thousand. A dozen dancing teams are in evidence among them the celebrated Adagio Dancers and the Warner Bros. song-writing staff has written many delightful songs.

One of the "most uproarious" of the many glittering sequences is "Mexican Moonshine," a bit of clever tomfoolery in which Monte Blue, Lee Moran, Kalla Pasha, Tully Marshall, Albert Gran and Frank Fay are featured.

Among the stars may be mentioned, John Barrymore, Richard Barthelmess, Betty Compson, Beatrice Lillie, Irene Bordoni, Georges Carpentier, Grant Withers, Alice White, Patsy Ruth Miller, Myrna Loy, Winnie Lightner, Nick Lucas, and Douglas Fairbanks, jun. The extravaganza was directed by John Adolf. It is filmed in technical colour, except for two sequences which require black and white for contrast. Larry Ceballos and Jack Haskell did the stage, and dance presentations and supervision of the entire production was in the hands of Darryl Francis Zanuck.

"THE SKY HAWK"

A noted comedy team is seen and heard in action in "The Sky Hawk," the stirring air talking picture of war-time aviation now showing at the World Theatre. Billy Beavan and Daphne Pollard, whose fun making has been a feature of hundreds of Sennett comedies appear in this Fox Movietone sensation. John Blystone directed. John Garrick, Helen Chandler and Gilbert Emery are featured.

"LOTTERY BRIDE"

The magnificent pictorial photography in "Lottery Bride," Arthur Hammerstein's dramatic operetta, coming to the Queen's Theatre, is largely credited to Ray June, one of the camera chiefs at the United Artists studios. June is responsible for the photography also in "Alibi," "New York Nights," "Puttin' On The Ritz" and other United Artists features. In the technical colour scenes, June was aided by Karl Freund, noted German cameraman, whose services were asked for by Paul L. Stein, director. Jeanette MacDonald and John Garfield play the leads in "Lottery Bride," singing songs created by Rudolf Friml, famous composer. Others in the cast are Joseph Macaulay, Robert Chisholm, Carroll Nye, Joe E. Brown, ZaSu Pitts, Max Davidson and Harry Gribbon.

Total purchases arising out of Montreal's Buyers' Week from February 14 to 21, under the auspices of the Montreal Board of Trade, amounted to \$925,528.41, according to an official statement just released. In which there is a classification of commodities bought headed by women's and children's dresses, at \$241,586, and followed by general dry goods at \$240,862.

SILK HOSE MADE FROM WOOD PULP.

Bewildering Machines That Never Err.

CARDBOARD BRAINS.

I write to-day of hose, of hose for the woman, half-hose for the man, and socks for the little boy who howls down the side street, writes F. G. H. Salisbury, Daily Express Special Representative.

Such are the technical differences between what you and I loosely call socks and stockings.

I could wish, on reflection, that "hose" were in more general use. It is a good word; Shakespeare used it; Queen Elizabeth used it. "Another pair of hose gone west with Drake," she said, on a famous occasion; then ripped them off and flung them at a vouch, exclaiming, "Darn them!"

You remember? Hose, half-hose, and socks... The factory, employing more than two thousand hands, which I have just visited turns them out by the hundred thousand. It produces also an enormous variety of jumpers—"ladies' outer wear"—and bathing costumes. "Anything knitted!" it says, with its hand on its heart: "Pray command me."

Having written so much I pause, surrounded by a fog of tobacco smoke, and tapping my fountain pen against my teeth. A problem confronts me, which is to describe to others as unlearned as myself the most marvellous machines I have ever seen. I watched one, hypnotised by the lunge and flicker of the needles, for a quarter of an hour while an elderly man who has worked it, and others like it, for thirty odd years, told me all about it with the fondness a mother devotes to recounting the cleverness of her only child.

Then I had to ask him to begin again; and he did—just as the mother would have done.

My tour began in the winding room where the yarn for whatever purpose—and it is "yarn," be it of silk, wool or artificial silk—is wound on to the spools which feed the machines.

Shimmering Skeins.

The artificial silk, which is made from wood pulp, comes in skeins; and it is pretty to see a dozen shimmering skeins, looped round wire drums, being transferred, at an incredible number of revolutions a minute, to the ever fattening spools below.

I recommend any husband who has been trained into "holding" wool for his wife to have this device installed in the home—not that his wife could be compared with an ever fattening spool: I hope no one had that impression.

The room was humming with the noise of belts taking power from the shafts overhead, and of countless spools whizzing round on a seemingly endless perspective of benches. A rainbow had been captured and its colours spilled over the threads. Girls moved everywhere, renewing the spools, knotting broken threads, guarding the machines angelically and with grimly angelic efficiency. I followed the spools into the room of miraculous machines. Imagine twelve steel-toothed combs, of which each tooth is a barbed needle, arranged along the face of an exquisitely complicated mass of wheels, shafts, cogs, cams, and rods, whose structure is, in shape, something like a fourteen-foot-long upright piano.

The spools are on spikes of the top. Their yarn descends to a "carrier," a bird's head of steel which slips the yarn in its beak—once carrier to each comb. The machine starts. The carriers rasp—left! right! left! right!—across the steel needles. With each rasp a line of knitting is done, just like that, "zzzz," and the top of a stocking appears.

Now, stockings are of two kinds. There is the "frame fashion" kind—the superior one—which is knitted as a flat piece, shaped down each side to fit the leg, and seamed up the back afterwards; and there is the seamless, which is made on a circular "comb" of needles, and which comes out like a cylinder.

The machine I have just described is for the "frame fashion" kind. It does its shaping automatically, two needles being cast off at a time from each end of the lot as the stocking needs to be narrower. This machine produces plain stockings. Its brother, next door, produces patterns, with the aid of forty carriers and forty tiny spools to each set of needles.

Here is the superb miracle—the control of the carriers, each bearing its separate coloured thread by a trip of perforated cardboard.

Design in Code.

The cardboard strips contain the design, as it were, in code. They revolve slowly beneath steel rods, or "droppers," and whenever a rod finds a perforation through which it can drop, it works a carrier. The man in charge of the machine simply reads the pattern. A brain in cardboard reads to the pattern.

And out they come, plain and patterned stockings, etc., pairs

SHADOWS BEFORE

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Social.

Saturday—Hotel Cecil, Special engagement, of Prof. A. Barna, world-renowned cymbalist, at dinner dance.

Entertainments.

To-day—King's Theatre; "Laughter." Theatre; To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Show of Shows." Theatre; To-day—Central Theatre; "The Broadway Hoofers." Theatre; To-day—Majestic Theatre; "Vagabond, Lover." Theatre; To-day—World Theatre; "The Sky Hawk." Theatre; To-day—Star Theatre; "Arizona Kid."

Meetings.

June 15—Peak Tramways Co. Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel. June 17—Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Building. June 17—Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Messrs. Jardines, noon.

Home Mails.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Kaga Maru); Outward for Europe via Siberia (President Wilson), 6 p.m.

Friday—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Shinyo Maru and Katori Maru); from Europe via Negapatam (Hakone Maru); Outward for Europe via Siberia (Hakone Maru), 3.30 p.m. Lammerts' Auction.

June 17—18—Metropole Hotel furniture, 22, Ice House Street, 10.30 a.m.

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 8.

machine, every forty minutes. They lack soles, however, and their heels are represented by two strips, one on each side of the upper part of the foot. So the heel strips are joined and to them is knitted a sole by a man called a "footer." Then the sole and the upper are seamed along the sides; the stocking is seamed up the back; and the opening left at the toe is closed. The result, madam, is half a pair of hose.

I wish I had space in which to analyse my awe of the seamless machines which produce yards of cylindrical stockings and socks like strings of sausages, to be snipped apart the moment after they are made. The same sort of machine makes seamless bathing costumes and jumpers—gigantic sausages. Then there are, for admiration, the dye-works—full of overpowering vapours to a stranger—the scouring room where it is always washing day, and where all impurities are pounded out of stockings and socks not previously cleaned in the "yarn" state; and the seaming and linking room, where sewing machines whirl for ever and 200 girls never make a mistake.

Which brings me back to the seamless stockings; for it is here that a false seam is sewn up the back of the stocking to give it style. Then it is slipped over a flat piece of wood, cut like a beautiful leg in profile, and steam-pressed to perfection.

I have seen buttons stitched on "outer wear" and buttonholes made, one every three seconds. I have seen girl examiners, buried in piles of stockings, passing or rejecting each one more quickly than you could say "half-hose."

And I have learned that there is sometimes a mile of yarn in a man's sock. Two miles of marvel on my "poor old feet"—it is the title of a song!

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

TUBERCULOSIS, ENTERIC FEVER AND PUERPERAL FEVER.

The official return of diseases and deaths during the week ended June 6 is as follows:

Cases. Deaths.
Enteric fever 4 1
Puerperal fever 1 1
Tuberculosis 52

Summary to June 6.

The returns from January 1 to June 6 give the following figures:

Cases. Deaths.
Typhoid 79 16
Small-pox 14 9
Scarlet fever 2 1
Diphtheria 59 22
Cerebro-spinal fever 11 5
Puerperal fever 6 3
Tuberculosis 1,183

Fifteen of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were two scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, and one cerebro-spinal fever case, and 16 diphtheria cases.

Twenty-one fishermen have completed the course at the Fisheries Experimental Farm, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, and received their diplomas. The men came from various parts of the Maritimes and the Magdalen Islands.

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WATER RETURN.

ALL RESERVOIRS BELOW OVERFLOW.

The level and storage of water in the reservoirs on June 1, 1931, were as under:

City and Hill District.	1930	1931
Tyiam 23' 7" B	25' 8" B	
Tyiam Bywash 21' 9" B	24' 4" B	
Tyiam Intermediate 43' 9" B	8' 8" B	
Tyiam Tuk 63' 2" B	33' 8" B	
Wong Nei Chung 27' 5" B	17' 5" B	
Pokfulum 21' 1" B	8' 1" B	
Notes: E. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow".		
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.	1930	1931
Tyiam 214.50	209.74	
Tyiam Bywash 1.09	.96	
Tyiam Intermediate 32.98	150.34	
Tyiam Tuk 320.16	727.68	
Wong Nei Chung 5.30	11.84	
Pokfulum 20.85	40.58	
Total 595.84	1,138.10	

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1930	1931
Consumption 288.16	341.62	
Estimated population 175,360	280,150	
Consumption per head per day 20.4	26.8	
Includes 95.07 million gallons from Mainland.		
Includes 95.03 million gallons from Mainland.		

May 1930.—From May 1 to 31, a 12 hours supply (6 a.m.—6 p.m.) was given to all Rides Main Districts (Principal Mains closed 6 p.m.—6 a.m.) with the exception of the area North of Queen's Road between Murray Road and Eastern Street where a constant supply was maintained during the whole month.

May, 1931.—Constant supply throughout the City, Hill and High Level Districts during the whole month.

Kowloon.	1930	1931
Kowloon Reservoir and Bywash 16' 6" B	11' 9" B	
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 8' 1" B	L	
Reception Reservoir 10' 1" B	1' 7" B	
Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.	1930	1931
Kowloon Reservoir and Bywash 202.06	241.10	
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir 82.69	110.10	
Reception Reservoir 5.45	28.91	
Total 290.20	380.11	

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of May.

	1930	1931
Consumption 134.68	159.88	
Estimated population 175,360	280,150	
Consumption per head per day 24.7	28.0	

The Government Analysts' reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

Total rainfall: May 31, 1930, 18.17; May 31, 1931, 24.28.

SIR ROGER KEYES.

STRIKES HIS FLAG IN H.M.S. VICTORY.

GOOD-BYE TO NAVY.

London, Yesterday.

Admiral of the Fleet Sir Roger Keyes strikes his flag at sunset in Nelson's "Victory," now the flagship of the Portsmouth station.

He is the last of the great wartime naval leaders to relinquish active association with the Navy.

—Reuter.

Lewis Smith, Minister of Agriculture for New Brunswick, states that ninety acres of new orchards had been established last year; the Government assisting with a bonus of 25 cents a tree. The poultry industry in 1930, he added, had increased its receipts by 25 per cent. About 35 per cent of the eggs and poultry used in the province, he said, are imported.

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and Woods.

FRANCE CHALLENGED.

After facing a field of the strong-
est tennis players in the two
Americas, Sydney B. Wood, Jun.,
and Frank X. Shields, the youthful
Davis Cup team are now well on the
road to Paris and the cup.

Having travelled a path which
brought them into competition with
Mexico, Canada, and Argentina,
they now have Britain to defeat
before entering into the challenge
round with France.

The splendid showing of these
youngsters has given many ardent
fans new hope that the Davis cup
may be brought back to the United
States where it belongs. Wood is
only nineteen whilst Shields is
twenty. Early in the year, many
were lamenting the fact that Tilden
and Vincent Richards could not
represent America against France.
Now, however, they believe that it
is well that these two will not re-
present America again, as the new
combination is regarded as a more
powerful body. The youth and
brilliance of the Americans are re-
garded as being sufficient to dis-
count the experience of their op-
ponents.

Vincent Richards, the well-known
tennis professional, declares that
Shields has one fault—nervous-
ness. Richards says:

"When he gets a little older and
overcomes that nervousness, he'll
be hard for any man to beat."

Wood lacks the strength and
physique of Shields, but he is a
cool player and master of a soft
game that pesters a hard hitter to
distraction. He holds No. 4 in
the national ranking, only Wilmer
Allison separating him from
Shields.

He came into the limelight with a
rush last Summer. During the
Seabright tourney, this tall youth
mixed his soft strokes with sizzling
drives to halt the sensational cam-
paigning of Ellsworth Vines, who had
played havoc with Frank Hun-
ter, George Lott and others.
Vines cracked up in straight sets
under this very trying change of
pace.

Wood's fine work did not end
with the Seabright championships,
however. He trounced George
Lott at Southampton and followed
this with a victory over Shields
after that young man had defeated
Tilden. Going into the finals at
Southampton, Wood continued his
deliberate, easy-going game to win
the championship from Allison.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.
WATER POLO.—To-day.—Divi-
sion I.—V.R.C. v. Chinese Bathing
Club, 6 p.m.; Division II.—Royal
Artillery v. Kowloon "B", 6.30
p.m.

LAWN TENNIS.—To-day.—
"B" Division—
K.C.C. v. R.C.C.
I.R.C. v. M.B.K.
A.T.C. v. H.K.C.C.
C.S.C.C. v. University.
South China v. C.R.C.
C.C.C. v. U.S.R.C.

"C" Division—
C.R.C. v. Y.M.C.A.
C.C.C. v. H.K.C.C.
K. Indians v. University.
K.C.C. v. Deutscher Club.
I.R.C. v. South China.
Saturday—"A" Division—
South China v. M.B.K.
I.R.C. v. K.C.C.
C.R.C. v. H.K.C.C.

"P" Division—
M.B.K. v. R.C.C.
I.R.C. v. K.C.C.
Nippon Club v. C.C.C.
C.R.C. v. University.
U.S.R.C. v. C.S.C.C.
"C" Division—
R.C.C. v. Y.M.C.A.
C.C.C. v. C.R.C.
University v. K.C.C.
C.S.C.C. v. South China.
A.T.C. v. K. Indians.
H.K.C.C. v. I.R.C.

LAWN BOWLS.—Saturday—
Division I—
Craigengower v. Kowloon Dock.
K.B.G.C. v. K.C.C.
R.C.C. v. Police.
Tai Koo v. C.S.C.C.
Division II—
Yacht Club v. Tai Koo.
K.C.C. v. Craigengower.
C.S.C.C. v. R.C.C.
H.K. Electric v. K.B.G.C.

HOME.
CRICKET.—To-day, To-morrow,
and Friday—

Middlesex v. Worcester.
Kent v. Northants.
Sussex v. Glamorgan.
Notts v. Essex.
Cambridge U. v. Leicester.
Hampshire v. Lancashire.
Gloucester v. New Zealanders.
Gentlemen v. Players.

Saturday, Monday and Tuesday—
Middlesex v. Notts.
Sussex v. Surrey.
Kent v. Lancashire.
Somerset v. Essex.
Yorkshire v. Leicester.
Northants v. Hampshire.
Worcester v. Glamorgan.
Warwick v. Gloucester.
Cambridge U. v. Free Foresters.
Derbyshire v. New Zealanders.

GOLF.—To-day, Friday.—Bel-
lith Ladies' Open at Portmarnock.
French Open Championship.
RACING.—To-morrow.—New-
bury Summer Cup.

NO THRILLS IN LOW
SCORING GAME.

KENT WIN AGAIN.

Freeman and Marriott
Trouble Leicester.

POOR CONDITIONS.

London, Yesterday.

Lancashire, the Champions, came
into their own at Lord's to-day
when they defeated Middlesex by
63 runs after a very low scoring
match. The home county were
within 11 runs of the Lancashire
first innings total when their last
wicket fell, and were soon in diffi-
culty in the fourth innings
against the very accurate bowling
of Tyldesley (R.). This is Lanca-
shire's third victory of the season
and Middlesex's first defeat.

At Edgbaston, the game between
Warwickshire and Hampshire had
to be abandoned as a draw with
the home county 111 runs in
arrear with half their wickets in
hand. Mead failed by seven runs
in his effort to equal W. G. Grace's
record—126 centuries in first-class
cricket. Earlier in the season he
got within two runs of his object
against the New Zealanders before
being clean bowled by W. E. Mer-
ritt.

At Leicester, Kent registered
their fifth victory of the season at
the expense of Leicestershire.
After losing five wickets for 300
runs A. P. F. Chapman declared
the innings closed and, with Free-
man and Marriott offering the per-
fect combination, was in a position
to enforce the follow on. Both
bowlers met with further success
in Leicester's second venture and
were responsible for the innings
victory.

The following were the most
noteworthy batting and bowling
feats accomplished during the
week-end cricket programme:

Batting.

Shepherd (Surrey) 167*
Bakewell (Northants) 113
Hammond (Gloucester) 100
Lee (Somerset) 98
Neale (Gloucester) 98
Mead 93
denotes not out.

Bowling.

*Parker (Gloucester) 10 for 23
*Freeman (Kent) 10 for 127
*Marriott (Kent) 9 for 93
Paine (Warwick) 7 for 130
Tyldesley (R.) (Lancs.) 6 for 55
Townsend (Derby) 5 for 59
Gover (Surrey) 5 for 50
V. W. C. Jupp (North-
ants) 5 for 54
G. L. Weir (N.Z.) 5 for 57
Mercer (Glamorgan) 5 for 57
R. C. Blunt (N.Z.) 5 for 60
Ryan (Glamorgan) 5 for 63
Goddard (Gloucester) 4 for 29
*Wickets taken in both innings.

Bright cricket was witnessed at
the Oval where Surrey and Essex
struggled desperately for first innings
points. Tom Shepherd, the Surrey
veteran, displayed all his old skill
in compiling an undefeated innings
of 167 scored out of 285. Essex
found Gover in good form with the
ball but it was a very open game
for the major points before the
last visiting batsman fell.

Northamptonshire gained their
first victory of the season at Ket-
tering to-day, defeating Glamor-
gan by five wickets. Bakewell,
who is showing excellent form this
season lent valuable aid to the
Northants total of 190 by scoring
113.

Continuous rain at Hull did not
allow a ball to be bowled in the
match between Yorkshire and Sus-
sex. At Bath, Somersetshire held
the New Zealanders to a draw
after relinquishing a lead of 11
runs on the first innings. R. C.
Blunt, the visiting skipper, distin-
guished himself by capturing 5
wickets for 60 runs out of a total
of 144.

The full results as cabled by
Reuter were as follows:—
Lancashire beat Middlesex by 63
runs at Lord's.

Scores:—
Lancashire: 169 and 200.
Middlesex: 158 and 148. (Tyldes-
ley (R.) 6 for 55).

FIRST CLASS COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE TO DATE.

	1st Inns.	No.	Runs.	Wickets.	Points.
Gloucestershire (2)	10	5	2	1	150
Kent (5)	8	1	1	0	120
Notts (4)	8	1	1	2	120
Middlesex (10)	7	4	1	2	105
Lancashire (1)	8	3	2	1	120
Worcestershire (10)	8	3	3	0	120
Gloucester (5)	7	1	1	0	105
Surrey (8)	10	1	1	4	150
Derbyshire (5)	1	2	4	1	135
Essex (6)	9	2	4	0	135
Sussex (7)	8	2	3	1	120
Hampshire (13)	7	1	1	2	105
Leicestershire (12)	7	0	1	3	105
Northamptonshire (17)	7	1	2	0	105
Somersetshire (14)	8	1	4	0	120
Glamorgan (11)	6	1	3	0	90
Warwickshire (15)	8	0	4	2	120

The figures in brackets were the positions occupied by the
counties at the close of the 1930 season. The method of scoring
this year is as follows:—16 points for a win, 7½ points for a tie,
4 points for a draw on the first innings, and 3½ points for a loss
on the first innings. 4 points for a win on the first innings, and 3
points for a draw, and 2 points for a loss.

Hampshire drew with Warwick-
shire at Edgbaston, Birmingham.

Scores:—
Hampshire: 305 (Mead 98, Paine
7 for 130).
Warwick: 194 for 5.

Derbyshire took first innings
points from Notts at Ilkinston.

Scores:—
Notts: 146 (Townsend 6 for 59).
Derby: 168 for 2.

Kent beat Leicester by an in-
nings and 19 runs at Leicester.

Scores:—
Kent: 300 for 5 dec.
Leicester 148 (Freeman 5 for 68,
Marriott 5 for 48);
133 (Freeman 5 for 53,
Marriott 4 for 50).

Surrey took first innings points
from Essex at the Oval.

Scores:—
Surrey 285 (Shepherd 167*);
Essex: 227 (Gover 5 for 50).

Northamptonshire beat Glamor-
gan by five wickets at Ketter-
ing.

Scores:—
Glamorgan: 114 (V. W. C. Jupp 5
for 54);
156.
Northants: 190 (Bakewell 113,
Mercer 5 for 57,
Ryan 5 for 63);
81 for 5.

The match between Yorkshire
and Sussex at Hull was abandon-
ed owing to rain. It was impos-
sible to play on any of the three
days as the ground was water-log-
ged. Each county as a result
secured four points in the Cham-
pionship table.

Gloucestershire beat Worcester-
shire by an innings and 71 runs
on the Waggon Works ground,
Gloucester.

Scores:—
Worcester: 103 (Parker 5 for 44);
79 (Parker 5 for 35,
Goddard 4 for 29).
Gloucester: 253 for 6 dec. (Ham-
mond 100, Neale
96).

FRIENDLY.

Somersetshire drew with the New
Zealanders at Bath.

Scores:—
Somerset: 244 (Lee 98, R. C.
Blunt 5 for 60);
201 for 9. (G. L.
Weir 5 for 57).
New Zealand: 255.

Century List.

The following have scored cen-
turies in the County Championship
competition this season:—

Holmes (Yorkshire v. Warwick)	250
Woolley (Kent)	188
Hammond (Gloucester v. Sussex)	168*
Shepherd (Surrey)	167*
Hopwood (Lancashire)	165*
K. S. Duleepsinhji (Sussex v. Surrey)	162
C. C. Case (Somerset v. Surrey)	155
Lee (Derby v. Essex)	147
Hobbs (Surrey)	147
Bowley (Sussex v. Surrey)	144
A. W. Carr (Notts v. Northants)	140
Shepherd (Surrey)	140
P. G. H. Fender (Surrey v. Somerset)	139*
Smith (Derby v. Essex)	131
C. C. Case (Somerset v. Northants)	131
Sandham (Surrey v. Somerset)	131
Sutcliffe (Yorkshire v. Warwick)	128
Hardings (Kent v. Essex)	128
Holmes (Surrey v. Somerset)	128
Hendren (Middlesex v. Sussex)	125*
Walker (Notts)	125
Ducat (Surrey)	125
Hobbs (Surrey v. Sussex)	117
Asstall (Leicestershire)	115
Allderman (Derby v. Surrey)	113
Staples (Derby v. Essex)	113
Bakewell (Northants)	113
K. S. Duleepsinhji (Sussex v. Northants)	112
K. S. Duleepsinhji (Sussex)	112
Arnold (Hants v. Gloucester)	111
Woolley (Kent v. Lancashire)	107
Lee (Middlesex v. Glamorgan)	107
Rev. J. H. Parsons (Warwick v. Somerset)	106
Bowley (Sussex v. Lancashire)	106
Hearne (Middlesex v. Glamorgan)	104
Bowley (Sussex v. Gloucester)	103
Croft (Warwick v. Derby)	103
Hammond (Gloucester v. Notts)	103
Walker (Notts v. Northants)	102*
Cook (Sussex v. Gloucester)	101*
Hearne (Middlesex v. Glamorgan)	101*
P. G. H. Fender (Surrey v. Derby)	100*
O'Connor (Essex v. Kent)	100
J. C. White (Somerset)	100
C. T. Bray (Essex)	100
R. E. B. Wyatt (Warwick)	100
Hammond (Gloucester)	100

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Hearne scored a century in each
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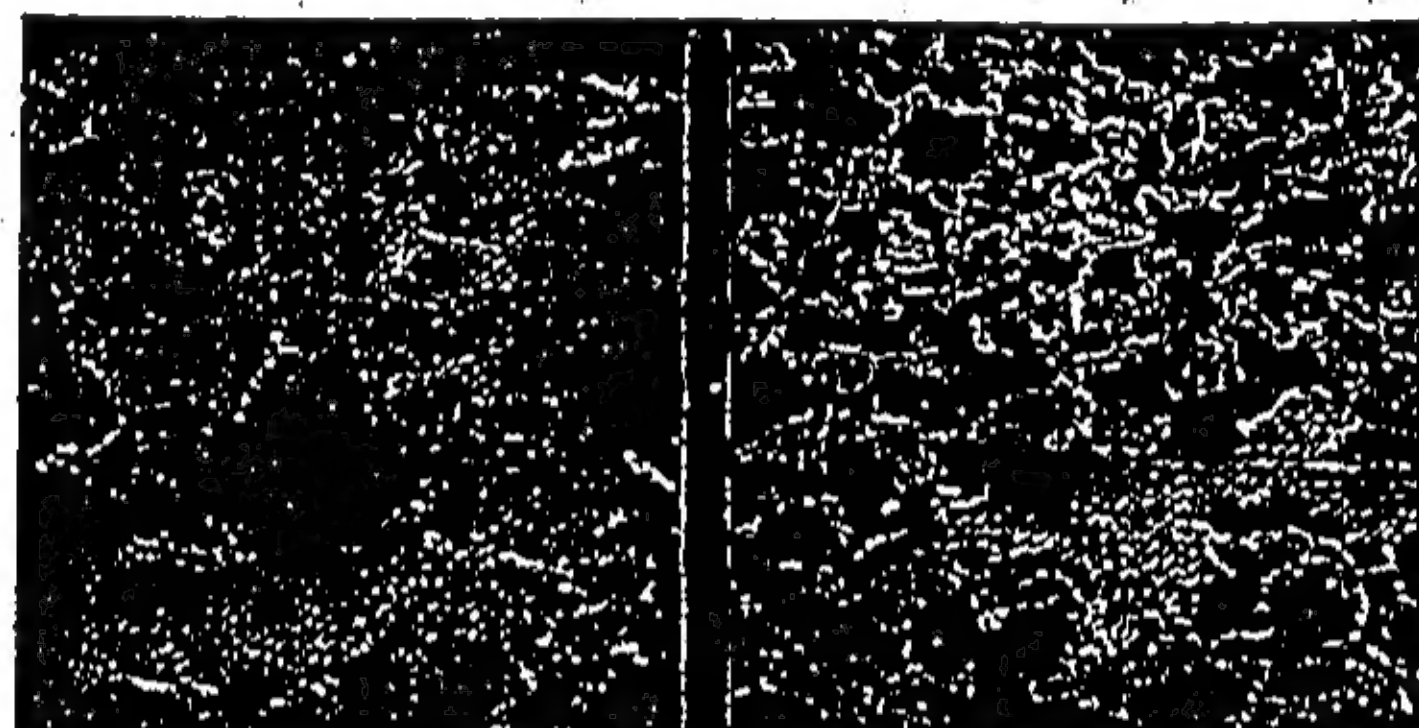
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affair. I said to her 'Do you know of such a thing as Ah Mui, when thirteen years old, being the subject of certain misconduct by her uncle, Se Siu-wun?' She said she did, because Ah Mui had told her at the time.

Mother Kept Silent.
The girl's mother further said that she had not ever spread the news, because if she had told anyone in the house it would only have made trouble. She wanted to keep things quiet. Witness then asked the women if she had told the girl's father. The woman said she had, but the father said it was merely play between children. The matter would be best left alone, he considered.

Then Ah Mui's mother suggested that I should tell the elder brother of plaintiff (the girl's father), witness added, "so that he might scold the offender. Myself, I wanted to keep the matter quiet. When I found there were other people present when I was about to tell the girl's father, I did not tell him exactly what I wished to do. I asked him instead if his younger brother (plaintiff) was coming back that night. I said there was a job for him. I put it that way to disguise the trouble."

"Wait for Plaintiff."
Later, witness took the girl's father aside on the verandah. There was nobody there. It was in house No. 15. He then asked the question about the affair, eight years ago privately, and in a low tone. "I said that the girl's mother had suggested that I speak to him, and ask him to speak to his younger brother on the matter. The father told me to wait until plaintiff came back, and then question him."

About 1 a.m. plaintiff had not returned, and the girl's father, tenant of the houses, asked witness to leave. Witness went away, but about 4.45 a.m. the girl's mother came to the Police Station, woke him up, and asked him to come over to the house again. Her husband had sent her.

There were several people there when witness arrived. He sat down, and shortly afterwards the plaintiff came in and sat down at his side. The girl's father then pointed to plaintiff, saying to witness, "Ask him."

A Straight Denial.
Witness then said to plaintiff that Ah Mui had told him about what happened some years before. He asked plaintiff, "Did you do it?" and the other replied, "No." Plaintiff also asked when this was supposed to have happened. Witness said, "It was when she was thirteen years old."

Plaintiff appeared uneasy, and would not face witness. Witness then said "If you have not done such a thing why should the girl tell me about it?" Plaintiff remained silent, and made no reply. Then he stood up, banged his fist on the table and said "Are you going against me?"

Witness in return banged his fist on the table saying, "I won't challenge you here, but if you want to thrash the matter out I will go to the Police Station with you, and settle it there."

The Art of Litigation.
Plaintiff replied, "Am I afraid of you? Litigation may be instituted in a crooked manner, and there is never any case fought out in a straightforward way."

The Court interpreter here interposed to state that a free translation would be "The success of litigation depends upon how things are twisted round."

Interested Onlookers.
Several people had come over from No. 17 when the row started, said witness, and they stayed in the doorway, looking in on the scene. But he wished to

state that four of the persons whose names were mentioned in the writ of summons were not in the sitting room at all at the time.

At this point in the dispute the girl's father said, "We don't know what a Police Station is. If you want to challenge us, take your time." "Because I saw a lot of people coming over I kept quiet," witness concluded. "I left the house at once. I was then thinking that if this matter became generally known it would also affect my reputation."

The Court adjourned at this point, witness stating that he would continue his evidence this morning.

USE OF CAMPHOR.

HOW INCREASED PETROL TAX WILL AFFECT MANUFACTURE.

The question of synthetic camphor was raised in the House of Commons recently in the debate with regard to the eliminating of white spirit and turpentine from the increased Petrol Tax. In moving this resolution, Sir George Hamilton dealt specifically with the question of camphor, remarking:—
Some few years ago the celluloid business in this country was developing fairly rapidly, and certain chemists put their heads together to discover whether camphor could be produced synthetically; and after some work and the expenditure of no less than £25,000, they discovered that camphor could be produced synthetically in this country. Camphor before had usually come from Formosa, which is part of Japan, but by producing it synthetically in this country, a trade was set up, factories were started, and one factory alone which I know of, in the county of Essex, not very far from London, cost no less than £14,000 and was only put up two or three years ago.

Now comes this tax on turpentine. The main process in the making of synthetic camphor is dependent on turpentine, and you cannot use anything else, and as a result of this tax the extra cost per cwt. of camphor will be raised by 12s. 4d. This business is a new business, a struggling business, one which is only just getting on its feet, and it is in keen competition with Germany. The Germans are also making synthetic camphor in the same way, and the users of camphor, the manufacturers of celluloid in this country, do not at present buy from Germany because our price here is just the same. May I point out that when I say "our price," I have no financial interest in this matter whatever, so that I need not be suspected in any way. I mean the British price. The British manufacturers' price is only just equal to the German price, and this extra 2d. will just spoil their market, it will lose their trade, and Germany will come in.

We hear much said about helping the unemployed, but this tax will undoubtedly create more unemployment in this small industry as it is. I personally happen to know two factories that are now producing this synthetic camphor. One is in my own Division, that of Messrs. Howard & Sons, who are very big chemical manufacturers, and the other is in the county of Essex, just a few miles further on. Both these businesses are just holding their own; it is just worth while to produce this synthetic camphor at home, and they are just able to sell it in competition with the German manufacturers. The total cost of a remission of the Turpentine Duty on this particular product, synthetic camphor, would only be a matter of a few thousand pounds.

There are only some three or four factories that produce synthetic camphor. If the Chancellor of the Exchequer cannot accept the whole of the amendment, would he at any rate consider giving a rebate on Turpentine used for the production of synthetic camphor in this country?

Later in the debate, the President of the Board of Trade (Mr. W. Graham) referred to the mat-

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	Bank, wire	11 1/2
	Bank, on demand	11 1/2
	Bank, 4 months' sight	11 3/16
	Credits, 4 months' sight	11 13/16
	Documentary, 4 months' sight	11 15/16
On Paris—	On demand	576
	Credits, 4 months' sight	615
On Berlin—	On demand	Nom.
On New York—	On demand	22 9/10
	Credits, 60 days' sight	23 11/16
On Bombay—	Wire	62 1/2
	On demand	62 1/2
On Calcutta—	Wire	62 1/2
	On demand	62 1/2
On Singapore—	On demand	40 1/2
On Manila—	On demand	45 1/2
On Shanghai—	On demand	77 1/2
	Dollar	6 3/4
On Yokohama—	On demand	45 1/2
	Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	11 1/2
	Silver (per oz.)	12 5/16
	Bar Silver in Hong Kong	1% prem.
	Copper Cash	Nom.
	Copper Cents	3% prem.
	Rate of Native Interest	3 1/2% p.a.
	Chinese Sub. Coin	24 1/2% dis.
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LONDON EXCHANGES

Rugby, Yesterday.	Paris	124.25 1/2
	New York	4.86 17/32
	Brussels	34.92 1/2
	Geneva	25.07 1/2
	Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
	Milan	92.92 1/2
	Berlin	20.5
	Stockholm	18.15 1/2
	Copenhagen	18.16 1/2
	Oslo	18.16 1/2
	Vienna	34.62 1/2
	Prague	164 1/2
	Helsingfors	193 1/2
	Madrid	50.3
	Lisbon	110 1/2
	Athens	375
	Bucharest	817 1/2
	Rio	3%
	Buenos Aires	34 1/2
	Montevideo	29 1/2
	Bombay	1/8 1/2
	Shanghai	1/2
	Yokohama	2/11 1/2
	Hong Kong	1 1/2
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ter, saying: This case of synthetic camphor is confined to one firm, with possibly a second, and I think it can also be shown that competition is not so much with an imported article of the same kind, as, perhaps, with the natural camphor from Japan. Inasmuch as no turpentine remains in the finished product here, I am inclined to agree that there is perhaps a case of a kind to be made, within limits, in this matter, but, against that, it must be remembered that going back to the time of the establishment of the factory, which I think the hon. member has in mind, there has been, even allowing for the inclusion of the duty, a very substantial fall in the cost of turpentine, I think from about 60s. per cwt. to 45s. or 44s.

—Singapore Free Press.

MOVE ON CANTON.

NANKING TROOPS ON THE BORDER.

Nanking, Yesterday.
(Delayed by censor).
Private advices from Hunan province state that eight divisions of Government troops are now near Yichang, on the Hunan-Kwangtung border, only twenty miles separating them from the Cantonese forces. The reports state that so far there have been no clashes.—Reuter.

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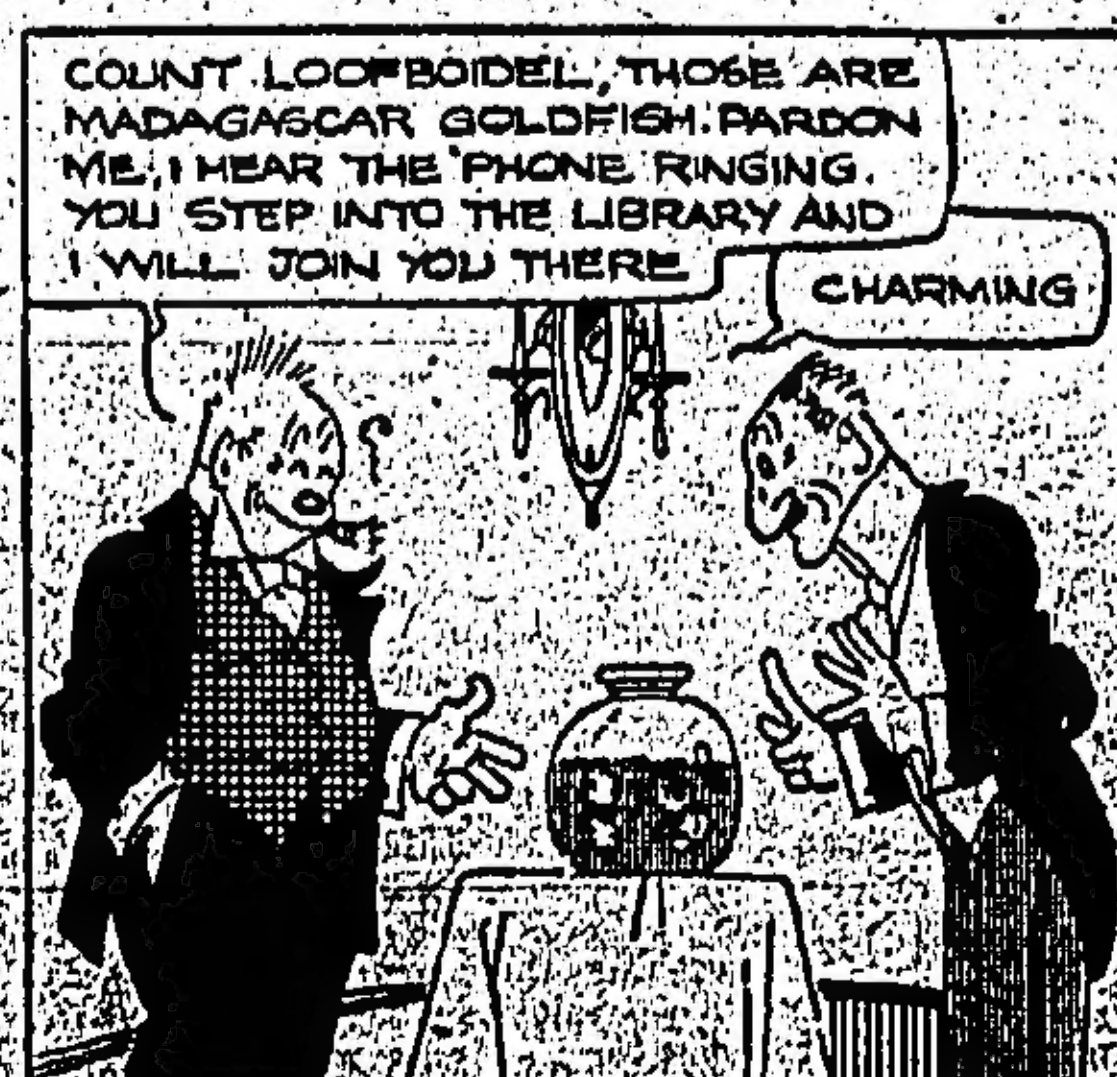
STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Novm.	Fin. Year	Last dividend and when paid
Banks.						
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Chartered Bank	[Final 7s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Mercantile Bk., A.B.	[Final 7s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Bank of Asia	[Final 7s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Insurance.						
Canton Ins.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Union Ins.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
*China Underwriters	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
China Fire Ins.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H. K. Fire Ins.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Shipping.						
Douglas	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H. K. Steamboat	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Indo-China (Pref.)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Shell Transport	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Union Waterboat	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Mining.						
Benguet	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Kailan Mining Ad.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Langkai (Single)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
S'hai Exploration	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Loans	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
*Rangoon	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Venezuela Gold Fields	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.						
H. K. & W. Wharves	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H. K. & W. Docks	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
South Ch. Motors	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
*China Provident (old)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
(new)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Hongkong	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
N. Engineering	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Shanghai Docks	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Land, Hotels & Buildings.						
*H. K. & S. Hotels	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
(R.R.)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
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H.K. Lands	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Shanghai Lands	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Humphreys (old)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
(new)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H. K. Realities	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Chinese Estates	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Cotton Mills.						
*Ewo Cotton	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Shanghai Cotton	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Zoong Sings	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Public Utilities.						
*H. K. Tramways	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Peak Tram (old)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
(new)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Star Ferry	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
*China Light	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H. K. Electric	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Miscellaneous	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Sandakan Light	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H.K. Tel. fully paid	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
part paid	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
China Buses	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
S'pore Tractors (Ord.)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
(Pref.)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Yau-mai Ferry	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Industrials.						
China Sugars	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Malayan Sugars	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Cold Mfg. Ord.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
Pref.	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
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*Cement (com.)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
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(new)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
H. K. Ropes	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
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Lane Crawfords	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
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Miscellaneous.						
H.K. Amusement (old)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
(new)	[Final 4s bonus 31 Mar. '31]
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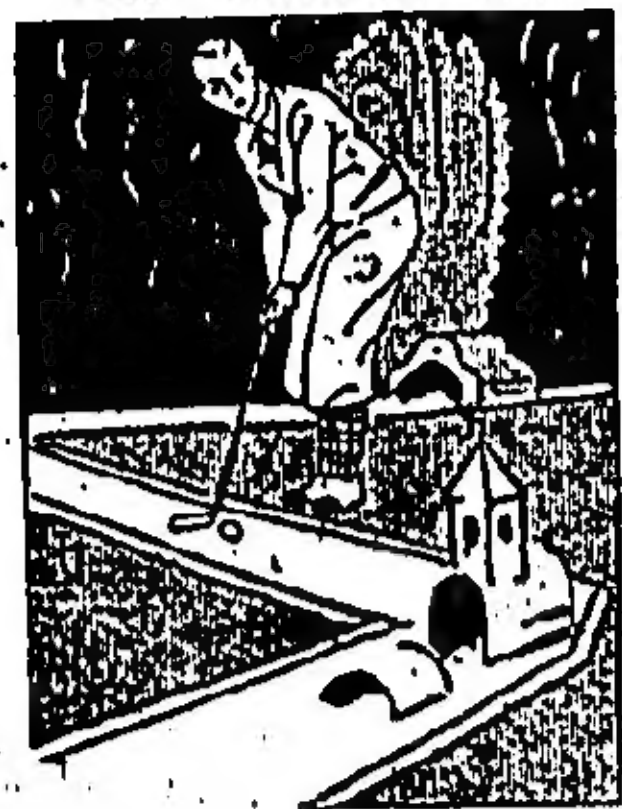
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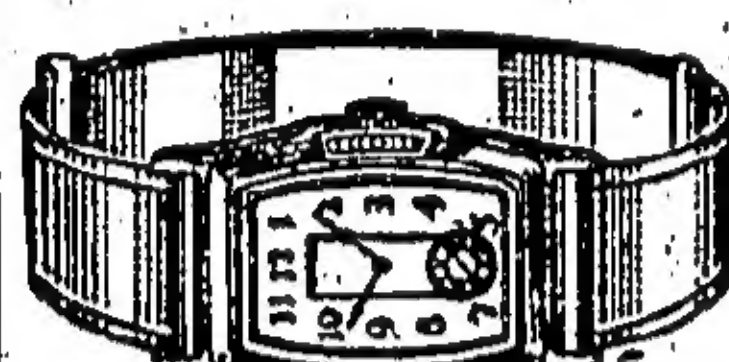
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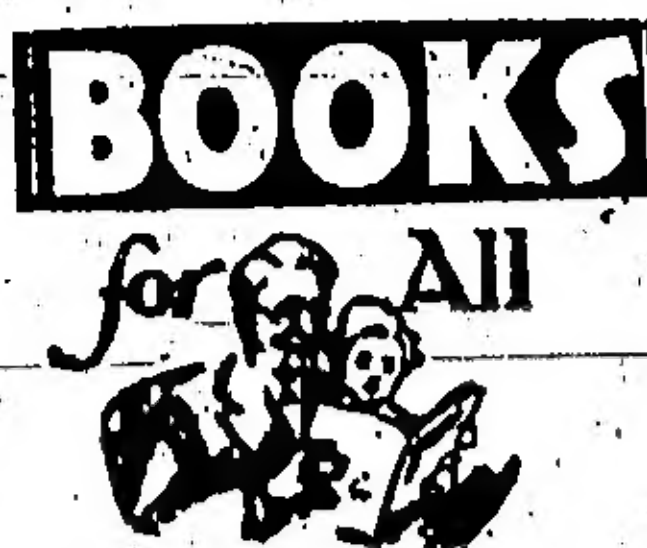
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As he has been married 11
times, one listened to him with a
certain amount of restraint
(writes an Evening News cor-
respondent).

"Women can make a lot of
trouble," he said. His voice
could have been reduced by at
least two valves and still have
been very audible. Agha is
proud of his voice, and lets it
boom on all four valves at every
opportunity.

"But I must say Allah has been
very good in keeping trouble-
some women out of my life to a
great extent," he went on.

"Once I was in terrible trouble
however. It was when I first ar-
rived in Constantinople in 1800. I
was wearing black slippers when
I came into the town. I had
ridden 23 days on horseback to
get there.

A Young Giant.

"Well, apparently the Sultan
or his guard—all these officials
looked like giants to me, for I
was only a country yokel—were
offended at my black shoes. Ap-
parently I should have been
wearing yellow ones. So they
arrested me and took me to a dun-
geon.

"On the way we passed a slave
market, and in a little ring I
saw a beautiful, fair-haired
maiden. She was up for sale as
a slave.

"I didn't know that then. All
I knew was that there was a girl
whom everyone seemed to be
laughing at.

"I was then a young giant, and
I could not tolerate this, so I
roared in this great voice of mine
which had frightened the Arabs
in my own country.

"I jumped into the ring,
knocking my guards over, and
put my coat around this girl.
She was very frightened, but she
asked me if I would buy her,
and I said no, but I would take
her away. But I was taken
away myself, and only by good
luck was I pardoned.

Lovely Black Eyes.

"It was only a few years be-
fore that I had married Gary, my
first wife. She had lovely black
eyes.

"Well, she was my wife for five
years, and we had three children,
but a plague killed her and the
children too.

"My seventh wife was a good
girl. I was then getting on in
years. Of course, I didn't know
I was going to live so long, but
she looked after me very well, for
what was really a good long mar-
ried life."

The old man stood up, stretch-
ed himself, and his voice rang
out like a train in a tunnel.

"Women have been good to me,
I think. But, then, look at me.
I was a fine big fellow. I was
champion wrestler of Turkey. I
could carry heavy guns on my
shoulders, which I did in some of
the wars, because Turkey was
always fighting Russia.

"Be Strong!"

"If you don't take the women
too seriously and do something
to make them admire you . . .
and he winked deliberately.

"Make them, perhaps, a little
frightened of you by being very
strong or talking in a big voice.
They will look after you."

I told him that a great London
hospital was anxious to examine
his heart and lungs. He griped.

"What for? I have lived 150
years without seeing a doctor.
Allah gave me such good heart
and lungs, they don't want re-
pairing. Besides, I don't like
hospitals. I saw one in America.
There are too many sick people
there."

"Honey and rice keep you fit,
and don't bother about the doc-
tors. People only see doctors
when they are not well. The
last doctor told me I should live
for probably another 25 years.
But what does he know? Allah
might call me to heaven any
minute."

The Montreal Junior Board of
Trade, recently formed, is getting
into its stride and grappling with
the problems of the day. A com-
mittee has just been formed, with
N. J. Walsh as chairman, to study
the difficult question of "Traffic
Control in the City, with regard to
Safety Zones, Stop Lights and
Pedestrian Traffic." The report,
when completed, will be submitted
to the senior body, the Montreal
Board of Trade.

The Governor Stanfield Cup for
the winning team in the potato
judging contest at the Short Course
and Seed Show at the Agricultural
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Annapolis County team of Walter
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FINE BIRDS' FINE FEATHERS.

What The Zoo Does With All Its "Cast-Offs."

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are carefully saved by the keep-
ers and enterprising Fellows
find many curious uses for them.
Mr. J. Bailey, Overseer of Birds,
said:—

"The feathers of parrots and
birds with brightly coloured
plumage are always in great de-
mand for decorating. They
make beautiful fire screens.
Pelican quills make excellent
floats for fishermen, and the
feathers of the flamingoes are un-
equalled pipe-cleaners.

For "Red Indians."

"The Argus pheasant has fine
tail feathers, which women fre-
quently covet for their hats. Oc-
casionally we get egret plumes,
but these are usually much soiled
and not suitable for hats.
Raven feathers are often begged
by musicians, for the quills from
these birds are used to pluck the
strings of harpsichords. Fellows
with small children often ask for
a vulture's feather or, better
still, an eagle plume, because
playing Red Indians is still a
good game, while for fancy-dress
Indian chiefs are always popular.
"Some of our feathers are
given to the leopards and other
flesh-eating animals more or less
as physic. In the jungle they
eat birds—feathers and all—but
they do not get so many here,
and we find that a few feathers
now and then tone up the system
wonderfully."

According to MacLean Building
Reports, Limited, March construc-
tion contracts throughout Canada
amounted to \$27,311,890. This was
an increase of 5.3 per cent. over the
awards for February and a 12.6 per
cent. increase above the total for
March, 1930. Prospects for Spring
work are at least equal to that of a
year ago. The construction of
business buildings assumed a
greater proportion of all contracts
throughout Canada during March
than any other group; \$10,080,800
worth of contracts were awarded in
this group, which was 36.9 per cent.
of all construction. Engineering
work continued high with \$9,998,
800 or 36.6 per cent. Residential
work came off 20.4 per cent. or
\$5,568,700 and industrial 6.1 per
cent. or \$1,689,000.

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will
be broadcast to-day from the
Hong Kong Broadcasting Station
Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 365
metres.

5-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
6-8.30 p.m.—Chinese Children's
Programme.

7-10.30 p.m.—European Pro-
gramme of Victor Records.

7-7.28 p.m.—Band Selections.
High School Cadets—March (Sousa),
Under the Double Eagle—March
(Wagner).—Sousa's Band (19371).

The Warbler's Serenade (Perry).
The Whistler and His Dog (Pryor).
Arthur Pryor's Band (19369).

Electric March (Gretsch).
American Army March (Bassell).
Crested's Band (19344).

Over the Waves—Waltz (Rossa).
La Paloma (Yradier).
Arthur Pryor's Band (19378).

7.28-8 p.m.—Organ Solos.
Prelude in C Minor (Chopin).
Archer Gibson (35932).

Largo (Handel). Mark Andrews (35938).
Introduction and Fugue (Liszt).
Fernando Germani (35960).

The Old Refrain.
A Perfect Day (Jacobs-Bond).
Archer Gibson (36019).

8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather
Report.

8.03-8.28 p.m.—Orchestral.
Alicia Suite (Handel).
Philharmonic Symphony Orch.
of New York (1455).

Espana Rhapsody (Chabrier).
Detroit Symphony Orchestra
(1337).

Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms).
Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms).
San Francisco Symphony
Orchestra (1296).

Song Without Words (Tschalkowsky).
Philadelphia Symphony Orch.
(1111).

8.28-9.09 p.m.—Instrumental.
Harp Solo—
Old Folks at Home (Foster).
Alberto Salvi (4001).

Piano Solo—
Impromptu in A Flat (Chopin).
Chorale (Bach).
Harold Bauer (1876).

Duo—
Seven Variations on a Theme from
"The Magic Flute".
Alfred Cortot (Pianist)
(3047).

Violin Solo—
Legend of the Canyon (Cadman).
Caprice Antique (Balogh-Kreisler).
Fritz Kreisler (1092).

Piano Solo—
Passepied (Leo Delibes).
Shepherd's Boy (Granger).
The Oup Gabriellowitch (1095).

Violoncello Solo—
Adagio (Bach-Silotti-Casals).
Goyescas—Intermezzo (Granados).
Pablo Casals (6635).

9.09-9.51 p.m.—Concert Items.
The Little Danseuse
(Wassethy-Novello).
Simone (White-Rumbold).

INDIAN WHEAT.

Railway Freight Reduction Agreed To.

Karachi, May 11.
The conference which began
yesterday between Mr. Colvin, mem-
ber of the Railway Board, and re-
presentatives of European and In-
dian merchants on the question of
wheat exports ended this evening.
It is understood that European and
Indian merchants put before Mr.
Colvin a unanimous scheme, favour-
ing a general reduction of railway
freight on wheat transported to
Karachi, whereby on all wheat
meant for local consumption, not for
export, the difference between the
current and reduced rates would be
recovered.

Mr. Colvin is returning to Simla
to-morrow to place the proposal be-
fore the Railway Board.

Simla, May 12.

It is understood that the Gov-
ernment of India have decided to
reduce the freight on the trans-
portation of wheat to Karachi.

New schedules of rates are being
prepared.

Lucresia Bori (Soprano)
(1122).

Violin Solo—
Negro Spiritual Melody
(Dvorak).—Kreiser.
Song of the Volga Boatman
(arr. Kreiser).
Fritz Kreisler (1122).

Song—
For You Alone (O'Reilly-Geehl).
A Dream (Cory-Bartlett).
Enrico Caruso, Tenor (507).

Song—
La Zagalina (The Shepherdess)
(Duarte-Tabuyo).
Tus Ojillos Negros (Your Little
Black Eyes) (De Castro-De Falla).
Marguerite Alvaire, Mezzo-
Soprano (1130).

Violoncello Solo—
Vito (Popper).
Spanish Dance (Granados-Casals).
Pablo Casals (1311).

Song—
O Sole mio (My Sunshine)
(Capurro-di Capua).
A Vucchella (A Little Posy)
(D'Annunzio & Tosti).
Enrico Caruso, Tenor (501).

9.51-10.18 p.m.—Selections from
Opera.

Mignon—Overture (Thomas).
Chicago-Symphony Orchestra
(8660).

Pearl Fishers—Selections
(Bizet arr. Gretsch).
Crested's Band (34001).

Cavalleria Rusticana—Selection
(Mascagni).
Crested's Band (35815).

10.18-10.28 p.m.—Piano forte
Solos by Ignace Jan Paderewski.

Etude in G Flat Major (Chopin).
Etude in C Minor (Chopin). (1387).

By the Brookside (Sizelowski).
The Prophet Bird (Schumann).
(1428).

10.30 p.m.—Close, Down.

DUTCH AND RUBBER RESTRICTION.

Main Factors Against Compulsion.

DR. BERNARD'S ATTITUDE.

In connection with the recent
official denial given by the D. E. I.
Government to our Java correspon-
dent of the policy (alleged to have
been stated by Dr. Bernard, Direc-
tor of the Department of Agricul-
ture, Industry and Trade of the
D.E.I.) that the Government is re-
fusing to allocate land for padi
growing in order to induce natives
to use rubber land for the purpose,
the following Amsterdam message
is of interest:

Dr. Charles Bernard has made a
statement to a representative of the
Allgemein. Handelsblatt on sugar
and rubber restriction. He would
be prepared it seems, to take into
serious consideration any scheme
that might be devised in regard to
rubber restriction, but subject to
conditions which up to the present
have not been fulfilled.

Nevertheless, there seems little
chance that the Government will
interfere in the rubber crisis.

Before his departure from
Batavia Dr. Bernard sent a mem-
orandum to the Dutch Colonial
Minister in which various plans, in-
cluding that of Sir George Maxwell,
and twenty other schemes are dis-
cussed. None of these has fulfilled
the requirements of the Govern-
ment for action on behalf of rubber
restriction.

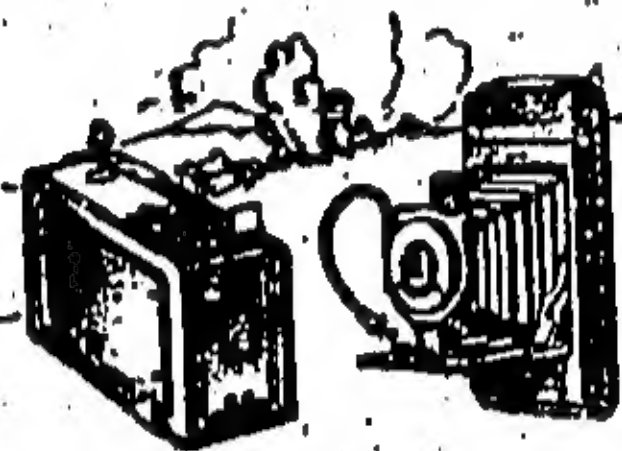
Uncontrollable Native.

He cites other factors which are

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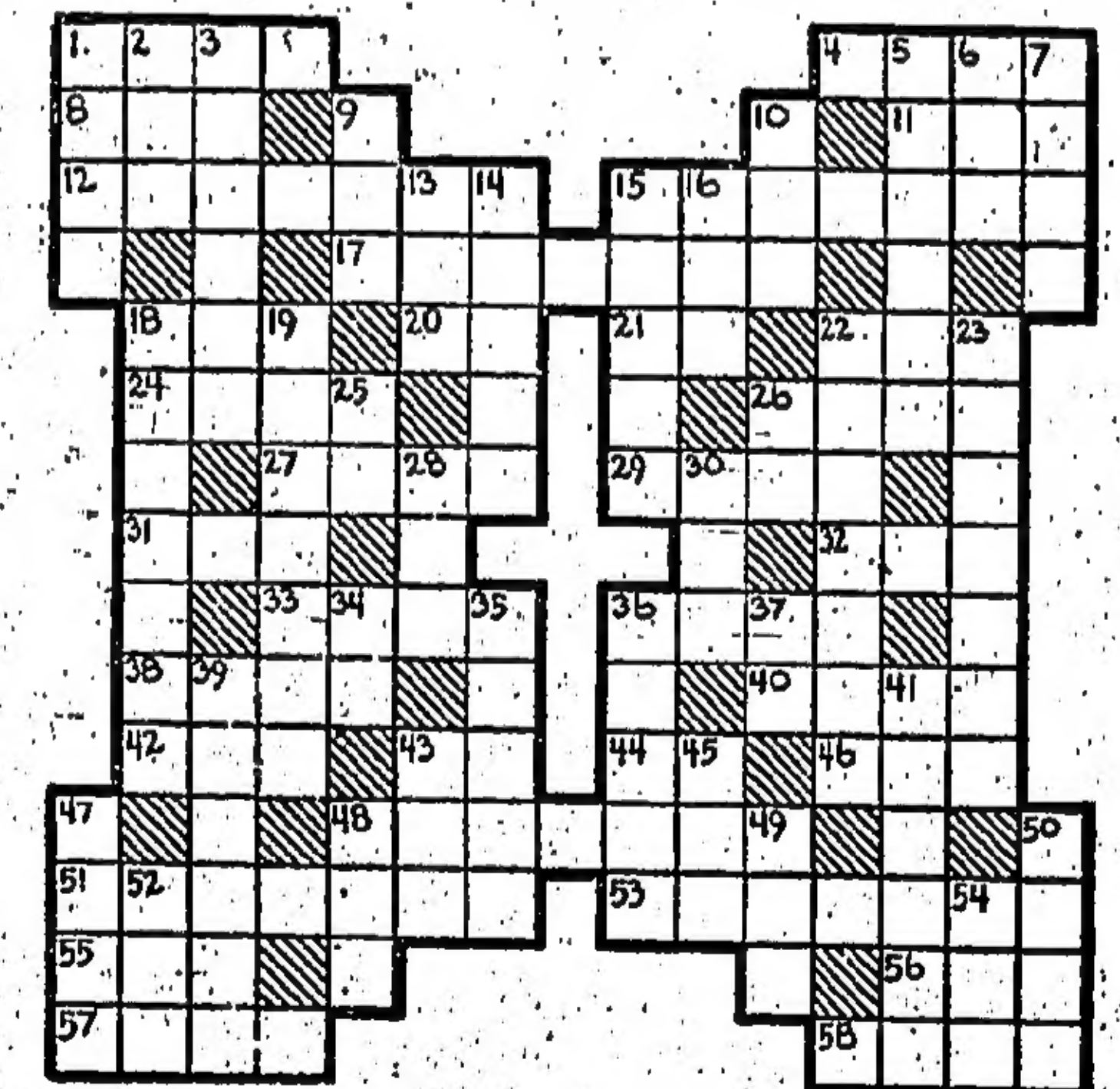
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but
our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic
spellings, such as harbor, plow, and ultho.)



- HORIZONTAL**
1-Destiny
4-To move swiftly
8-A time-period
11-Ocean
12-Ductile
15-Ally
17-Island between
Borneo and the
Philippine Islands
18-Suitable
20-Prefix-two
21-Indefinite article
22-An opening or
breach
24-A land measure
25-Stem of a tree
27-Prefix-before
28-Labor
31-A measure of weight
32-Interest (abbr.)
33-Rests
36-A covered porch
(Gr. Arch.)
38-Front part of leg
below the knee
40-A colonial food
42-Skill
43-Musical note
- HORIZONTAL (Cont.)**
44-Interrogative Inter-
jection
46-Possessive pronoun
48-A number
51-A component or
essential part
53-A soldier in the
rank
54-Ever, contracted
56-Born
57-To cease
58-Let stand (proof
reading)
VERTICAL
1-A festival
2-Exit
3-Acid obtained from
gall-nuts
6-Referring to the
stars
8-Large lake in C.
Ireland
9-A small fruit pie
10-Lair
16-Boy
16-Child's part of
society
- VERTICAL (Cont.)**
15-To expect
16-To annihilate
18-A mental caprice
19-Act of passing over
22-Giant slain by David
23-Annoys
25-Half an am
26-Prefix-two
28-A small child
30-One of the grains
34-Into
35-A light or air pas-
sage in a mine
36-Preloious
37-A bone (Latin)
38-Combining form
41-Tail
42-Swimming organ of
fish
43-Possessive pronoun
47-The settings of
liquor
48-Not many
49-Boy
50-A vegetable
52-To permit
54-A gift

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in
to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

MUSIC • DRAMA • FILMS

'STRANGLEHOLD OF U.S. FILMS.

95 Per Cent. of World's Supply.

BRITISH AT FAULT.

Remarkable figures disclosing the almost complete stranglehold which the American film industry has upon the cinema world have just been published in the yearly statement of the Association of Motion Picture Producers of America, says the London Morning Post.

According to this statement, the estimated capital invested in the world cinema industry is \$500,000,000, of which the approximate capital in America is \$400,000,000.

The United States produces 95 per cent. of the world's supply of pictures.

The picture industry is the fourth largest of all the industries in the United States.

Capital in Coast (Hollywood and district) Studio Properties is \$16,000,000.

Estimated American production schedule for the current year, \$40,000,000.

The number of people employed in the industry in America, 375,000.

Six billion linear feet of film are manufactured and used annually.

About 25,000 miles of film pass through the American film exchanges each day.

15,000 picture advertisements are placed daily in various media, and the annual cost of motion picture publicity is \$20,000,000.

The weekly picture attendance in the United States is 115,000,000, out of a world total of 250,000,000.

Gross takings in American cinemas yearly are \$312,000,000.

This is the problem that the British film industry has to face.

Moreover, it must be borne in mind that American films imported here have usually not only paid off their cost of production in their native country, but have also returned a substantial dividend.

Furthermore, there are various ways and means whereby income tax or any other tax is not paid on such films in this country, so that every penny they earn in our cinemas goes to assist American producers to make larger, and better films, to beat producers on this side of the Atlantic.

American Banks.

The figures quoted make it clear why, in America, the biggest banks and corporations have controlling interests in the great film production units of that country.

The new directors of the Fox Film Company, include Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt, Mr. Philip Stockton, President of the First National Bank of Boston, Mr. Philip Clarke, President of the Central Trust Company of Illinois, Mr. Frank O. Watts, Chairman of the First National Bank of St. Louis, and Mr. George M. Moffett.

This is but one company, and it is well known that behind Western Electric and Radio Corporation are some of the most powerful financiers in the whole of the United States.

One other significant fact comes out of this notice of the reorganisation of Fox Films. After stating that Fox owns over 500 theatres in the United States and 90 in Australia, it is added: "It also controls the Metropolitan and Bradford Trust Company, Limited, which owns 65 per cent. of the ordinary share capital of Gaumont-British Picture Corporation."

How does the British industry stand against this gigantic industry? In production costs, compared with the annual expenditure of \$40,000,000 in America, we may spend about \$2,000,000. With such expenditure, how can we hope to compete with America, and how can we hope to get into America in the face of such competition?

There is, however, one factor where the advantage, apparently, is with this country. In the United States there are just over 17,000 cinemas. If, to this total, is added the number of theatres in Latin America, the United States' natural market, the full total is 22,000. In our natural market, the British Isles and the Continent, there are 28,454 theatres. It is a disturbing reflection, however, (Continued at foot of next Column.)

MR. MAUGHAM AND "THE CIRCLE."

Fallacy of "Natural" Dialogue.

HOW PLAYS ARE MADE.

If this interview is disjointed it is because my talk with Mr. Somerset Maugham took place in the Vaudeville Theatre during what is technically known as a "photo-call." At every crucial point, in the conversation a flash and a bang on the stage lifted us both off our seats, although the actors and actresses, used to being photographed, carried on quite composedly, Mr. Maugham told me that he was seeing "The Circle" for the first time. He was in Java when the comedy was originally staged at the Haymarket.

I asked him if the actors added much to the play.

"A very great deal," he said, "and so do the audience. An author really doesn't know his play until it is put on the stage. The whole thing is a collaboration between the dramatist, the actors, and the audience. The actors add their personalities, and I discover there are jokes in the dialogue that I did not know existed. I can sit in the theatre in a quite detached way and laugh at them myself. I have heard Ethel Barrymore put so much meaning into a single word that what I imagined was an ordinary phrase became something exceedingly witty."

Lessons of Rehearsal.

"Have you usually attended the rehearsals of your plays?"

"I do so whenever I can, because I learn so much from them. It is in the theatre that the dramatist really learns his business. Yes," Mr. Maugham said with a smile after we had recovered from another flash on the stage. "I am still learning. Watching a producer at work the dramatist sees what situations carry and the sort of dialogue that is effective. The most surprising things happen. Some years ago I brought out a play called 'The Unknown.' When I was writing it I thought it was a drama of situation; it had not struck me that the argument of the play was the really dramatic thing about the piece. At the rehearsals I discovered that the drama lay not in the emotional situation at all, but in the argument; that on the stage it became a different play. It is almost impossible to visualise this on paper."

"Do you actually add much at rehearsals?"

"Very little," Mr. Maugham said, "but I revise a great deal after I have written the first draft of a play. No, I do not work from a synopsis: I turn an idea over in my mind until I get tired of it. Then I write straight ahead, and the first draft usually takes me a month or six weeks to get down on paper. In this way I keep the spontaneity of the story."

The Stage and "Real Life."

"Have you set out consciously to satirise the life of to-day?"

"No, within the limitations of the stage I try to represent life as I see it. As a matter of fact, I do not believe that the stage has much to do with life. There must be a similitude to life, but pure naturalism, which I prefer to the word realism, is not effective. I have a notion that in the future the theatre will become even more theatrical, and I cannot understand the critics who slam a piece because it is theatrical. It is absurd. When you praise a picture, you praise it for being pictorial."

"Natural dialogue is no good, except in plays that depend entirely on situation, in which, of course, what people say matters very little."

that American exports of films last year exceeded \$4,000,000.

A Long Way To Go.

Not only have we not yet discovered the way to unlock the "golden gate" of America, with its \$300,000,000 annual box office returns; and not only are we not in possession of the Continental market, but we are not even in possession of our own market.

Big finance in this country has thought shy, as yet, of films. That, to some extent, has been the industry's own fault, and reflects its failure to organise itself properly.

Over two years ago, the Morning Post, stated that the only way for the British film industry to get on its feet was to copy America and build up a central agency similar to the Hays Organisation. Jealousy, however, it was suggested, would prevent the formation of such an organisation.

But big finance itself is equally to blame. It forgets that films are the finest means of commercial advertising that the world has yet seen. It forgets that "Trade follows the Film," and that "For every foot of film sold in a foreign country a dollar's worth of trade comes back."

THE CIRCLE.

It is no use letting characters speak as they do in real life. The talk must be succinct. It must give an impression of reality, not a copy.

"Theatre-goers have been educated by the cinema to a state of quicker comprehension, and they do not want long explanations." The great difference between the old and the modern play is that nowadays it is not necessary to spend three or four minutes to explain a situation. "You can get to it in three or four sentences."

Although most of Mr. Somerset Maugham's plays have been made into films he has never written direct for the pictures. I asked him if he thought of doing so.

"I have just accepted an offer to write a talking picture because it was such a tempting idea to cater for an audience of twenty million people. No, I shall not go to Hollywood. I am quite content to supply the dialogue and leave the rest to the producer."

As he is a great traveller I asked Mr. Maugham if he went abroad chiefly to find material for his plays and stories.

"I travel for pleasure," he replied, "but I have a natural nose for material. Wherever I am themes thrust themselves at me. I get an idea and make elaborate notes on the spot and then work it out at a later date. I have found that it is a mistake to write at once. It is better to get an impression of a place and then deal with it afterwards. Otherwise, all kinds of irrelevancies get into the story."

"I have been nearly all over the world; in fact, practically everywhere except South America. I visited Central America once in search of material, thinking the country had probably changed since O. Henry's day. I found it was still exactly like his short stories and that there was no material left for me!"

The revival of "The Circle" opened at the Vaudeville Theatre and directly after the first performance Mr. Maugham returned to his home in the South of France. G.W.B. in The Observer.

Pittsburgh, a big industrial town, may be dirty, but "Lysistrata," the comedy from the ancient Greek by Aristophanes, is a great deal too dirty, in the opinion of Mr. James M. Clark, Director of Public Safety, of Pittsburgh.

"Lysistrata" has been playing in Pittsburgh and Mr. Clark attended a performance. Conferring with the producer afterwards, Mr. Clark waxed eloquent on the indecency of the play, saying it is vulgar to the core. He has now announced that only if the "dirty and vulgar" are removed will he permit the play to continue.

Mr. Theodore Dreiser, the author, who recently slapped Mr. Sinclair Lewis, has made a violent attack on Hollywood, whence he has returned to New York after seeing what the film producers have done with his book, "An American Tragedy." He said he had been "led through double doors to meet generalisations, who jumped around like monkeys and talked like children," but discovered they had drastically altered his book until "it pictures me as writing something I never in the world could have written."

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DREISER ATTACKS HOLLYWOOD.

Trade's Unwillingness to Face Realism.

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DREISER ATTACKS HOLLYWOOD.

Trade's Unwillingness to Face Realism.

Mr. Theodore Dreiser, the author, who recently slapped Mr. Sinclair Lewis, has made a violent attack on Hollywood, whence he has returned to New York after seeing what the film producers have done with his book, "An American Tragedy." He said he had been "led through double doors to meet generalisations, who jumped around like monkeys and talked like children," but discovered they had drastically altered his book until "it pictures me as writing something I never in the world could have written."

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WARM HOSPITAL.

Rugby, Yesterday. Before he embarked from Southampton on his return to Germany Dr. Brüning to-day sent a telegram to the Premier, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, thanking him for "the most charming hospitality extended to Dr. Curtius and myself," and expressing gratitude for the warm reception accorded them by the British Government and people.

Dr. Curtius also telegraphed a similar message to the Foreign Secretary.

Appropriate replies were sent by Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and Mr. Arthur Henderson, who, as stated in an earlier message, have both accepted the invitation to pay a return visit to Berlin on a date which is to be fixed later. —British Wireless Service.

Of Helpful Nature.

London, Yesterday. The memorable visit of Dr. Brüning and Dr. Curtius to Britain has terminated with their departure from Southampton in the destroyer Winchester, which conveyed them to their liner lying in Cowes Roads.

Before leaving, they expressed the opinion that their conversations here with Mr. Ramsay MacDonald and other Ministers would do much to help international co-operation.

Messrs. MacDonald and Arthur Henderson accepted an invitation to pay a return visit to Germany, but no date has been fixed. —Reuter.

AUSTRALIA'S DEBT.

SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION IN EXPENDITURE.

NATIONAL APPEAL.

Melbourne, Yesterday. The voluntary conversion of Australia's internal debt in order to avert the risk of default, contemplated in the Premier's Conference, the report of which is supported by the Opposition Parties, emphasises that a substantial reduction in expenditure is an essential preliminary to the restoration of prosperity.

It outlines for this purpose a conversion plan involving the saving of 22½ per cent. in the debt services, and appeals to all to share in the sacrifice in the interests of the country.

The Conference proposes the appointment of a national appeal executive, consisting of the Premier (Mr. Scullin), the leader of the Opposition (Mr. Lyons) and the chairman of the Commonwealth Bank (Sir Robert Gibson) to direct the conversion campaign. —Reuter.

HOME BY-ELECTION.

GATESHEAD RETAINED BY LABOUR.

SMALLER MAJORITY.

London, Yesterday. The by-election at Gateshead, owing to the death of the Labour member, Sir James Melville, resulted as follows:

Major Evans (Lab.) 22,898.
Colonel Headlam (Con.) 21,501.

Labour Majority ... 1,392.
—Reuter.

SUEZ CANAL DUES CONTROVERSY.

British Government Has No Responsibility.

MATTER FOR SHIPOWNERS.

Rugby, Yesterday. Replying to a Parliamentary question to-day the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. W. Graham, said that the British Government had from time to time supported with general interest the proposals for reasonable reductions in the Suez Canal and, in particular, had lent their support to proposals for a reduction in the present level of dues.

Regarding the precise provisions of the 1883 Suez Canal agreement — which, as a questioner stated, provided for the reduction of dues to five gold francs when the Canal dividend reached 25 per cent. — Mr. Graham pointed out that the agreement appeared to have been concluded between the association of steamship owners trading with the East on the one hand, and the Suez Canal Company on the other. The British Government were not a party to the agreement and any question of securing compliance with its terms would seem a matter for the shipowners concerned. —British Wireless Service.

POWDER TINS MADE INTO BOMBS.

Sent Through Post to Prominent Australians.

"CLUMSY ATTEMPT."

Clumsy bombs, in small boxes, delivered by post, have reached the Chief Justice (Sir Adrian Knox), Mr. Davidson, the manager of the Bank of New South Wales, Mr. Warwick Fairfax, proprietor of the Sydney Herald, Sir Samuel Hordern, president of the Royal Agricultural Society of New South Wales, and Sir Alfred Meeks, member of the Legislative Council of New South Wales.

A man called at the Herald office to warn Mr. Fairfax not to open a parcel which was coming by mail. He agreed to accompany a representative of the Herald to the police station, where he told a sensational story of an international secret society. He said that he became entangled with it in Egypt, and alleged that the society had blackmailed him and tried to force him to deliver the bombs. When he threatened to inform the police they assaulted him.

Matches and Glue.

Detectives received the boxes on their delivery and found inside tins, containing two ounces of ordinary smokeless gunpowder. The ignition points consisted of wax vestas stuck on paper with glue and surrounded by loose powder.

Chief Detective Inspector Mackay regards the affair as ill-conceived and clumsy. He says that if ignition had occurred while opening the parcel it might have caused blindness and other personal injury, but not death. He discredits the secret society story.

RECORD FLIGHT.

SCOTT CONGRATULATED BY THE KING.

Rugby, Yesterday. H.M. the King has sent through the Secretary for Air a

MOUNTAIN VIGIL OF LONDON BOY.

Waiting For Help That Came Too Late.

BESIDE DYING UNCLE.

The story of a London school-boy's vigil on the top of Helvellyn, the Lake district mountain, waiting for the arrival of a rescue party which did not come in time to save the life of his uncle, has been told at Morecambe. The boy is Jack Kitchen, aged 15, the son of Mr. Fred Kitchen. He lives in Mount Nod Road, Streatham, S.W., and is a pupil at the Streatham Grammar School.

The dead man was Mr. Arthur Wilson Waterfall, aged 63, proprietor of the Hotel Metropole, Morecambe. With him on the climbing expedition were his son Maurice and Jack Kitchen. When they reached the summit of Helvellyn after lunch, Mr. Waterfall began to feel the strain of the climb. His son decided to seek help while Jack Kitchen stayed with Mr. Waterfall.

Lost in the Mist.

In the mist young Mr. Waterfall lost his way, eventually reaching a lowland road. He had to go 80 miles back in a car. Then he met his cousin Jack, who had become anxious about the delay.

Together they returned to the top of Helvellyn, with a carrying party to help Mr. Waterfall. When they reached him he was dead. It was then 6.30 p.m. The descent with the dead man took nearly five hours.

Young Jack Kitchen, who is now waiting for the inquest, told of his anxious wait by the side of his uncle. He said: "My cousin went for help and I stayed on. I waited what seemed to be an endless time, but no rescue party came. It was hard to decide what to do. Uncle was very ill, and I became so anxious that I went down to fetch help myself. On the way I met my cousin, who had been lost in the mist."

SERVANT PROBLEM.

COMMISSION TO ENQUIRE INTO CONDITIONS.

STATUS OF OCCUPATION.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The House of Commons to-day granted a private member leave to introduce a Domestic Service Bill with the object of setting up a Commission of five members, of whom the Chairman and two others would be women, to review comprehensively the conditions of employment of domestic servants, and improve the status of their occupation.

It was claimed that the measure would be in the interests of servants and their mistresses and that the Commission could draw up a charter making general such standard of work and wages as existed among good employers. —British Wireless Service.

congratulatory message to Capt. W. A. Scott on breaking the record by his flight from Australia to Britain.

His Majesty sent a similar message to Scott when he reached Australia in record flying time. —British Wireless Service.

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